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PALMER WINS FIGHT ON ALLEGED "MEAT TRUST"

PACKERS TO DEAL ONLY IN MEATS AND PROVISIONS

'Five' Agree to Stop Trade in All 'Unrelated Lines'

NOT MONOPOLIZE

Government's Anti-Trust Suit Promised by Radical Agreement Accepted by Packers

Washington, Dec. 18.—The government's anti-trust action against the meat packers, begun at President Wilson's direction last summer, is the first of the fight on the high cost of living, has been compromised under an agreement by which the packers will confine themselves hereafter to meat and provision business. The injunction decree to which the packers have acceded will be entered by a federal court to make the agreement binding. Under its terms, the packers—Swift, Armour, Morris, and Cudahy—have agreed to sell under supervision of the United States district court, preference to the livestock producers and public, all their holdings in public yards, sell under the same supervision in like manner, all their stock, railroads and terminals, sell under the same supervision in like manner, all their interests in market newspapers, dispose of all their interests in public storage warehouse deposits except as necessary for their own market products, forever disassociate themselves from the retail meat business, forever disassociate themselves from all "unrelated lines," including sale of groceries, fresh, canned, or salt fish, fresh, dried or evaporated, fresh, crushed, evaporated or canned fruits, condiments, syrups, soda water, and supplies, etc., molasses, jams, jellies, and preserves, sauces, relishes, etc., coffee, tea, chocolate, cocoa, nuts, flour, sugar, and cereals, bread, wafers, cracklings, biscuits, spaghetti, vermicelli, macaroni, cigars, china, furniture, and other household goods, and to forever abandon the use of the trucks, comprising their distribution system, for any other than their own meat and dairy products, to perpetually submit to the jurisdiction of the U. S. district court under injunction forbidding all the defendants from directly or indirectly obtaining any combination or conspiracy with each other or any other person or persons, or monopolizing or attempting to monopolize, any food products in the United States, or in any other country, or in any unlawful way, to decree further provides that the injunction is perpetually retained by the court for the purpose of taking other action, or adding to the injunction, such other relief as may be necessary or appropriate for the carrying out and enforcement of the decree.

So years are given to comply with the decree, which affects 87 corporations and 49 individuals.

A general statement of Attorney General Palmer's official announcement to the effect that this decree prevents the defendants from exercising any further control over the marketing of livestock, it forever prevents them from control over the retailing of meat products. It eliminates them from the field of meat substitutes, with the exception of eggs, butter, poultry and fish, which are left for future consideration and appropriate action; therefore, the price of meat is in the control of the people themselves. It places the conduct of these aggregations of capital immediately under the eye of a federal court with reference to their business transactions.

But greater than all, it establishes the principle that no group of men, no matter how powerful, can ever attempt to control the food table of the American people, or any one of the essential or component parts of it. The department of justice, having vindicated the necessities and interests of the whole American people in this case, reconstruction period feels that by insisting upon this surrender of the part of packing interests, it accomplished more for the American people than could have been accomplished for as the result of a long and out legal battle.

While Mr. Palmer views the packers' submission to the government's action as a "surrender," Henry

Veeder, counsel for Swift & Company, announced that the step was taken at the suggestion of the department of justice to avoid any appearance of antagonizing the government and to remove causes of friction with livestock producers and food distributors. Emphatically, Mr. Veeder stated that the decree was not to be construed as an admission that Swift & Company had violated any law.

"The company feels that the same spirit which caused the business men of the country to submit to personal sacrifices to win the war," he said, "is just as essential during this period of reconstruction as then, and therefore it meets the request of the government to the sacrifice of its own interests. The company has consented to the entry of a decree for injunction only upon the expressed condition that it should in so many words recite that the decree does not adjudicate that the company has violated any law of the United States."

Attorney General Palmer said that overtures for a compromise came first from the packers, after the department of justice had placed its evidence before a grand jury in Chicago.

The attitude of Morris & Company was expressed by M. W. Borden, general counsel, who said the firm had consented to the decree "in the spirit of true Americanism."

"We gave up certain legal rights and made certain business sacrifices in order to meet the views of the government," he continued, "and to forever set at rest the fear of monopoly of the American table by the packers. In this period of reconstruction and unrest we desire to promote confidence, co-operation, and stable conditions."

Bills proposing government regulation of the packing industry now before the senate agriculture committee, will not be abandoned as a result of the decree, Senators Keppon of Iowa and Kendrick of Wyoming, authors of the measures, announced tonight.

"The attorney general's victory is merely a step, though a very long one, toward the goal we have been seeking to attain," said Mr. Kendrick, along the lines of the measures now pending.

Senator Kendrick said the decree was the "most telling blow" yet delivered against the high cost of living. Senator Keppon declared, the government should maintain over the packers the control provided by the pending bills, inasmuch as "it is evident they were building the greatest monopoly the country has ever known."

Immediately upon Mr. Palmer becoming attorney general in March, 1919, he personally took up the charges against the packers, and special assistants were asked to study the investigation of the Federal Trade commission, and to conduct independent investigations.

Mr. Palmer's statement recites the alleged evils of packer ownership of stockyards, market newspapers, and allied industries, as developed from the Federal Trade commission's inquiry into the packing business, and continues:

"They now have, either jointly or separately, a controlling interest in 22

of the 50 market stockyards in the United States.

"The parent companies have availed themselves of the control so acquired by them in the stock yards aforesaid to elect the officers and directors of said stock yards and to dominate and control the policies thereof. They have granted exclusive privileges to concerns and corporations in which they or some of them, or individuals who are stockholders in said parent companies, hold the controlling stock, all of which has been done with the intent and purpose and has had the effect of discouraging and suppressing the establishment of independent packing establishments and dwarfing the growth of such independent packing companies which might then be in existence, to enable said parent companies, their subsidiaries, or the individuals who own and control the parent companies and their subsidiaries, to obtain vast profits from the management of the stockyards and the granting of the privileges appurtenant thereto which profits are realized not only upon the livestock purchased by the packers, but upon that purchased by their competitors, and have thus enabled them to enjoy and realize such profits without the same appearing or being disclosed in the profits of the parent companies; and otherwise to further the attempt of said parent companies to monopolize the meat industry of the country and artificially control the ultimate price which the consumer pays for meat and meat products."

"The investigation demonstrates that even with a practical monopoly of the supplies of meat in the country, the price could not be controlled by the defendants without the control of substitute foods. To accomplish this purpose, the defendants availed themselves of the advantages at hand in the auto trucks, route cars, branch houses, and storage warehouses owned or controlled by them. The control was extensively and rapidly increasing. Yearly great numbers of competitors abandoned the contest and quit business or sold out to the parent corporations or their subsidiaries. Unless prevented by this decree, the defendants would have, within the compass of a few years, controlled the quantity and price of practically every article of food found on the American table."

"In addition to the companies in which control has been acquired by outright purchase, the parent corporations have in a large number of instances contracted for the exclusive output of many other companies engaged in the production of the substitute foods and the unrelated commodities. The outputs of these plants are marketed by the parent companies or by their subsidiaries through the distribution facilities of the parent companies. In this fashion, the parent companies control the output of these concerns and the market price of their products as completely as though they themselves owned the producing companies."

"The principal agent in stifling competition in the unrelated lines was, as has been stated, the fact that the distributing system of the great packers was an efficient and cheap way of handling not possessed by their competitors."

with obvious emotion, ordered the baby returned to her. The little woman cried aloud with joy, and hugged her baby to her breast. She had deliberated days and nights before deciding to let him go, she told the judge. A friend of her dead husband had taken him, promising to leave him "in Nellie Bly's arms."

Her husband's death last May had left her with a burden she often despaired of bearing, she said. She thought "Nellie Bly" would adopt him, or find a good home for him, where he would have enough to eat, warm clothes, and be sent to school and allowed to grow up like other boys. She said she was frantic when she found her plans had gone wrong and could no longer repress her mother's instinct.

LITTLE "LOVE O' MIKE" GIVEN TO HIS MOTHER

Judge Awards in King Solomon Fashion Hungry Wife Claimed by Two Women

New York, Dec. 18.—The shade of King Solomon sat on the children's court bench today while Judge Levy tried to decide who was the mother of Little "Love o' Mike," claimed by two women—Mrs. Augusta Wentz as her kidnapped son, and by Mrs. Lena Lisa as the baby she had planned to abandon to the mercies of Mrs. Elizabeth Seaman (Nellie Bly) for his own happiness and because she could not support her little family of three, herself, the baby, and three-year-old William, on the \$12 a week which was all she could earn. The infant was found in the Grand Central terminal with a note pinned to its clothing saying:

"For the love of Mike, take care of this kid—I can't."

Mrs. Lisa, brokenly and through her tears, told how she had schemed to have the infant left where Mrs. Seaman might notice and adopt it. She narrated her trembling anticipation of news of it after the deed had been done, of the heartache when she read that it arrived at Bellevue hospital by way of a police station, and of her panic when Mrs. Wentz claimed it as her own.

Not a sound in the court room interrupted her story. His policemen, unarmament agents of the detective bureau, efficient officials of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, scores of others, and Mrs. Wentz, listening in a silence that was dramatic.

When she had concluded, her small frame shaken with sobs, the judge,

27 L. W. W. GIVEN SENTENCES IN FEDERAL PENITENTIARY

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 18.—Federal Judge John C. Pollock late today passed sentence on 27 members of the Industrial Workers of the World found guilty today by a jury in the federal district court of Kansas City, Kansas, of conspiracy against the government. The sentences ranged from three and one-half to nine and one-half years in the federal penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kan.

Atlantic City, Dec. 18.—Five-year-old James (Buddy) Blake, whose body was washed ashore at Ventnor last Sunday, came to his death at the hands of his mother, while she was laboring under a state of mental aberration, according to the verdict of the jury at the coroner's inquest tonight into the boy's death.

Miners' Convention Is Called for Jan. 5 to 8

Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 18.—The general convention of the United Mine Workers of America, to hear the report of officers of that organization relating to the settlement of the national soft coal strike, will be held in Columbus, January 5 to 8. This was decided by officials of the national organization today, according to a telegram received from Washington by John Moore, president of the Ohio miners, from William Green, secretary of the national organization. The convention will bring 2100 delegates and will be held in Memorial hall.

FIERCE WINTER STORMS SWEEP STEAMER LANES

Eight Big Passenger Liners Reaching New York Days Behind: Evidence Rough Trips

New York, Dec. 18.—Substantial evidence of the fierce winter storms which have prevailed for the last ten days along the steamer lanes between the United States and Europe was shown by eight big passenger liners which arrived here today with more than 17,000 belated passengers. Hulls encrusted with ice, rigging covered with sleet, prefaced the story told by ships' officers of high winds and gigantic waves that swept their vessels from stem to stern.

The ships arriving were the Rotterdam, from Holland via Plymouth; the Baltic, Royal George, Carmania, and Caronia, from British ports via Halifax; the Lafayette from Havre, Bergenstorf from Norway, and Europa from Genoa. All were from three to five days overdue and some of them reached port too late to dock before tomorrow morning.

"The first of the big liners to come in to her dock was the Rotterdam, which reached Quarantine late last night. She was three days late and her master, Captain J. Baron, declared that the trip was the roughest he had ever made. His declaration was supported by Rear Admiral Andrew T. Long, of the United States Navy, who returned after escorting the king and queen of the Belgians back to their country. On board the ship were five stowaways who were scared from their hiding places by the rough weather.

The Carmania, another of the belated ships, had to put in at Halifax to repair damages caused by a collision at sea with another ship during a fog off the Grand Banks. Many of her passengers were landed at the Canadian port.

The Caronia, from Southampton, was close to the Carmania, when the accident occurred and she responded to her wireless calls by putting about and going to her aid. On board the Caronia were more than 3,000 Chinese who served in France as laborers during the war. They were landed at Halifax and will re-embark for their own country at Vancouver, B. C.

FARM BUREAUS IN CONVENTION

State Federation Plans to Endorse Bills for Better Feed Law and Strict Enforcement of Dog Law.

Syracuse, Dec. 18.—Discussion of a tentative legislative program and listening to an address by Edwin Duffy, former state highway commissioner, in criticism of Governor Smith's proposal for a \$100,000,000 bond issue for construction and maintenance of highways in the state, occupied the first day of a two-day session of the New York State Federation of Farm Bureau associations here today. Delegates were present from practically every county in the state.

According to tentative plans, the federations will endorse bills for a better feed law, opposing state day-light laws, opposing public taxation for health insurance funds, favoring continued state aid in the construction of county-built roads, for district enforcement of the dog law, and for active conservation and reforestation programs.

Mr. Duffy declared that the proposed concrete highways, estimated to cost \$40,000 per mile, would not prove permanent roads, as those favoring this type of road construction claim, but would break down under the heavy traffic which the roads in this state have to withstand.

Officers will be elected at tomorrow's session.

TO LAUNCH SHIP IN RECOGNITION OF WAR SERVICE OF U. S. PRESS

Philadelphia, Dec. 18.—"The American Press," a ship named in recognition of the services of the American newspapers during the war, will be launched at the Hog Island plant of the American International Ship Building, corporation next Tuesday, December 23. The sponsor will be Miss Elizabeth C. Stone, general manager of the American International Ship Building, corporation next Tuesday, December 23. The ship will be the seventy-seventh to be launched at this plant and is a steel cargo-carrying vessel of 7,825 deadweight tons, with a length of 401 feet and 54 feet beam.

LUSK RADICAL PROBES ADJOURN WITHOUT DATE

Legislative Committee Decides to Confer at Length With Chief, Returned From Abroad

New York, Dec. 18.—The joint legislative committee investigating seditious activities here decided today to adjourn its session without date in order to confer at length with State Senator Clayton R. Lusk, its chairman, who returned this morning on the steamer Rotterdam from a trip abroad on personal business.

Evans Clark, former instructor in and now chief of the statistical department of the Russian soviet bureau of Ludwig C. A. K. Martens, self styled soviet ambassador here, was subpoenaed for examination by the committee today. His appearance on the stand was expected to follow completion of examination of Santa Nuorteva, secretary of Martens' bureau, who followed his chief's example in refusing to produce the bureau's documents and "confidential correspondence." Both Martens and Nuorteva were ordered yesterday by Supreme Court Justice Greenbaum to show cause why they should not be jailed for contempt in failing to obey the committee.

Notice of appeal from Supreme Court Justice Greenbaum's decision that the legislative committee had the right to demand answers to all questions and the production of all books required by its subpoena of Martens and Nuorteva, regardless of their claims to diplomatic immunity, has been filed. It was announced today.

Both Martens and Nuorteva went to Washington Wednesday "on a mission" of some sort, the soviet bureau stated today in answer to inquiries for them. It was not known when they would return. It was added, Charles Recht, of counsel for the "ambassadors," had previously announced that neither of them had been served with notice of Justice Greenbaum's orders for them to show cause why they should not be jailed for contempt of the committee, returnable tomorrow.

Martens admitted on the stand recently that he had sent his confidential correspondence and soviet bureau books "out of the jurisdiction of New York state."

As the situation presents itself now, neither Martens nor Nuorteva will appear tomorrow in answer to Justice Greenbaum's orders.

CARLISLE AGAIN BEHIND BARS

Famous Bandit Brought to Wyoming Penitentiary by Union Pacific Train of Kind He Was Sent to Rob.

Rawlins, Wyo., Dec. 18.—High walls of the Wyoming penitentiary once more shut Bill Carlisle, bandit and train robber, from the world. Early today a Union Pacific train—one of the kind Carlisle was wont to rob so debonairly—paused here long enough to discharge the bandit and his guards, and they drove up the long hill from the depot to the prison.

At the door of the prison, Carlisle was met by Warden Brins, from whose custody he had escaped November 18. "Hello, Bill," was the warden's greeting.

"Howdy, Cap," replied the bandit. That was all, and Bill Carlisle became, again nothing but a number and so to be known for the remainder of the life sentence from which he had escaped.

Since his capture, a short time ago, Carlisle had been confined in a hospital at Douglas, recuperating from the bullet wound in his chest, which was inflicted upon him by a sheriff in arresting him.

BERKMAN AND GOLDMAN READY TO LEAVE 'ON 5 MINUTES NOTICE'

New York, Dec. 18.—Emma Goldman and Alexander Berkman have their trunks packed with heavy clothing and canned goods and are ready to be deported to Russia on five minutes' notice, Harry Weinberger, their counsel, announced today.

"They expect the government to keep its promise to deport them this week," said Weinberger.

No orders as to when or how to send the pair to Russia had been received today at Ellis Island, where they are detained, according to Byron H. Uhl, acting commissioner of immigration, but he has notified all the anarchists held at the island, numbering more than 50, to be ready to leave the country at any time.

Fear that they will be unable to obtain proper clothing and sufficient food in soviet Russia, although they offered to pay their own expenses thither, has prompted her and Berkman to equip themselves with American goods.

COLLEGE ROWING RACES

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 18.—The Harvard variety rowing race with Yale at New London next week will come on June 25. The second variety and freshmen crews will compete on the same day.

The remainder of the rowing schedule, announced tonight, provides for races of all three crews against Annapolis at Annapolis on April 24, and races of the variety and freshmen crews against Princeton on the Charles River on May 1 and against Cornell at Ithaca on May 22.

Mexican Reply to U. S. Note Is in Washington

Washington, Dec. 18.—Mexico's reply to the last American note on the case of American Consul Agent Jenkins was received today at the state department.

The official text was said to differ only slightly from that contained in Associated Press dispatches Tuesday night from Mexico City.

While officials said they would have no comment to make until they had had time to study the note it was indicated that at first reading the communication had not made a favorable impression.

FIUME QUESTION IS AGAIN TO THE FRONT

Three Premiers and Possibly U. S. Representative Will Debate Disputed Problem

London, Dec. 18.—Premier Nitti of Italy has been invited to meet Premier Lloyd George and Premier Clemenceau, and possibly an American representative, in Paris, in the course of a few days, it was announced by Mr. Lloyd George in the house of commons today. An effort to settle the question of Fiume was the purpose of the meeting, he said.

Mr. Lloyd George said there was complete agreement among the allies on the question of non-intervention in Russia, but that discussions were proceeding between the United States and Japan concerning future action should the Bolshevik advance reach to any considerable degree eastward. Premier Lloyd George said it was impossible to make peace with Russia because of the civil war existing there.

He declared the agreement to guarantee France against wanton aggression was subject to ratification by the United States of that particular point. If the United States should not ratify the guarantee to France, he stated, Great Britain would be free to reconsider her position.

START INQUIRY INTO ARSENAL EXPLOSION

One Dead and Three Critically Injured as Result of Blast; Loss Is \$50,000

Dover, N. J., Dec. 18.—Causes of the spectacular fire which swept over part of the Picatinny arsenal following an explosion in the research laboratory late last night were made the subject of an official investigation by army officers today. The fire destroyed four buildings.

The work of fighting the fire was made hazardous by exploding shells and it was several hours before the flames were brought under control.

Private Oliver McCormick of Malden, Mass., one of the men injured by the explosion, died early today at the Dover general hospital. Three others are reported to be in a critical condition. All men were quartered at the marine barracks at the arsenal.

The first official report on the fire and explosion was not made public until afternoon, when Col. F. H. Miles Jr., commandant at the arsenal, said he believed that earlier estimates of the loss would be greatly reduced. He was of the opinion that \$50,000 would cover the damages.

ARMY AVIATOR AND PHYSICIAN LOSE THEIR RACE WITH DEATH

Harrisburg, Pa., Dec. 18.—An army aviator and a Middletown physician late today lost a race with death in an attempt to give medical attention to John Krone, aged nine, who had been seriously hurt and marooned on an island in the Susquehanna river. The boy was dead when the doctor arrived.

The boy was injured Tuesday afternoon when a tree he was cutting fell and pinned him to the earth. His father, at a great risk to his own life, braved the ice-filled river in a small boat to secure a doctor for his son. The doctor whom he consulted thought it unwise to make the trip back to the island. Lieutenant Ray W. Brown, of the Middletown aviation depot, and Dr. John Belcher, made the trip but found the boy dead.

CUBAN SCHOONER TURNS OVER

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 18.—Five members of the crew and 15 stowaways are believed to have been lost when the Cuban schooner San Juan turned turtle yesterday 125 miles off the Virginia coast. Captain Rivers and two members of the crew were brought to Norfolk today on the coast guard cutter "Manning."

MRS. ENRICO CARUSO A MOTHER

New York, Dec. 18.—A daughter was born tonight to Mrs. Enrico Caruso, formerly Miss Dorothy Park Benjamin of New York, who was married to the tenor in August, 1918.

HUDSON RIVER FROZEN OVER

Tarrytown, Dec. 18.—The Hudson river is now frozen over down to this point and ferry traffic between here and Nyack on the west shore has been stopped for the season.

SENATE RETAINS LABOR CLAUSES IN CUMMINS BILL

Defeats, 46-25, Stanley's Proposal to Eliminate Whole Section

XMAS RECESS HELD UP

Leaders of Both Houses Agree Not to Stop Work Until Senate Passes Rail Measure

Washington, Dec. 18.—The senate held its fifth night session on the railroad bill tonight, with grave doubt in the minds of the leaders that the measure could be passed in time to permit beginning of the holiday recess Saturday.

The labor clauses, including the anti-strike provision, of the Cummins measure were under discussion during the day, culminating in the rejection by a vote of 25 to 46 of the proposal of Senator Stanley, Democrat of Kentucky, to eliminate the whole section. Efforts toward a compromise ensued. During the debate, an agreement was reached by senate and house majority leaders not to permit a holiday recess until the measure is through the senate and sent to conference. At their conference, however, Senator Lodge and Representative Mondell agreed to suspend house business Saturday to permit members of the lower body to go home for the holidays, even if the senate is held by delay on the railroad bill. Beginning Monday, house sessions will be perfunctory under a "gentleman's agreement" to transact no business until January 6, but to adjourn from day to day until the senate recesses.

McCormick Offers Substitute.

After defeat of the Stanley motion to strike out the entire labor section, Senator McCormick, Republican of Illinois, offered a substitute plan similar to the Canadian system, to prohibit strikes for 60 days after decisions of the adjustment board, and requiring decisions from the board within 90 days.

Senator Thomas, Democrat, of Colorado, supporting the Cummins labor proposal, declared railroad strikes to be intolerable in their effect upon the general public.

Opposing the anti-strike section, Senator Walsh, Democrat, of Massachusetts, said that critical penalties for strikes would not accomplish their purpose. The Cummins plan he characterized as "repressive, unfair and unjust."

"Strikes among certain classes of employees are unjustifiable and among these are railroad employees," declared Senator Walsh, "but we cannot chain them to their posts like galley slaves."

Congress, the Massachusetts senator held, should remove the incentive and causes of strikes by enactment of arbitration legislation without banning what is declared to be the "inherent right to strike."

On a tie vote of 31-31, the substitute of Senator McCormick for the anti-strike provision, was rejected and Mr. McCormick gave notice that he would ask for another vote later.

SUGAR LEGISLATION RECEIVES ANOTHER SETBACK IN SENATE

Washington, Dec. 18.—Sugar legislation received another setback in the senate today when advocates of the bill to extend federal sugar control and licensing during 1920 were unable, because of protracted opposition debate, to bring to a vote the house amendments broadening the powers proposed for the United States sugar equalization board.

Senator Randall, Democrat, Louisiana, led the fight against the house amendments. He declared the bill proposed to "inflict awful punishment" on the sugar industry alone.

He held the floor during the entire hour and a half allotted by unanimous consent for consideration of the bill. Managers of the sugar bill planned to send it to conference and were doubtful of its passage before the proposed holiday recess of congress.

CONCAVE "MOVIE" SCREEN.

New York, Dec. 18.—A concave motion picture screen that may revolutionize the movie was shown at the local theatre this morning. It is said to give an effect of three dimensions—an appearance of thickness or depth—that relieves eye strain. A group of scientists witnessed the experiment.

Dr. Louis Pech, head of the faculty of medicine at the University of Montpellier, France, the inventor, supervised the exhibition. Dr. Pech ascribes the relief of eye strain to his belief that the eye function normally when it sees things of three dimensions, even if the appearance of the third dimension is an illusion.

ALL B. & A. TRAINS BACK

Boston, Dec. 18.—Restoration of all through east and westbound trains to the schedules existing before the curtailment caused by the coal shortage was announced by the Boston & Albany railroad tonight, effective on Saturday.

EVENTS AT WEST END

Raymond Selleck Injured While Coupling Cars—Christmas at the Churches.

Raymond Selleck, who lives at Carbondale, but who was formerly a resident of this city, had the misfortune to injure his hand last week while coupling cars in the D. & H. yards there. The hand was mangled so badly that it became necessary to amputate a portion of it. Mr. Selleck is doing as well as can be expected.

Loyal Workers Meet.

The Loyal Workers of the Elm Park Methodist church held their regular monthly business meeting Wednesday evening with Mrs. L. W. Hayner, Lower Chestnut street. There was a good attendance and a most enjoyable evening was spent by all.

Christmas at the Churches.

Both the Elm Park Methodist and West End Baptist churches will hold their Christmas exercises in next Tuesday evening. Recitations and special music will be in order, elaborate preparations for which are being made at both churches. There will be illuminated trees for the children and other entertainment for the grown-ups.

The West End church will have special Christmas music on Sunday at both services.

Heard About Town.

A B Mayble of South Valley motored here Wednesday and was a guest of his sister, Mrs. Ina Haner, 3 West End avenue. He returned yesterday with his daughters, Misses Helen and Doris Mayble, who are attending the Oneonta High school and who will spend the Christmas vacation at their home in South Valley. — Avon Church of West End avenue leaves today for a few days' visit with his uncle, Eugene Church, of Guilford. — Mrs. Charles Fuller and daughter, Anna, of Unadilla, are guests of their cousin, Mrs. S. F. Germond, West End avenue.

OFF LEAGUE BOWLING.

Maxwell's Whitewash the Grants, Winning All Three Games.				
Wednesday evening the Maxwells seemed to be in good form against the Grants and took all three games.				
Lattin rolled 201 and 210 games for the high honors				
GRANTS:				
Lattin	171	201	210	582
L. Miller	166	198	178	542
Dilello	147	165	173	485
W. McGuinness	116	134	117	367
Hurley	181	162	160	503
Totals	781	861	836	2478
Team average, 826.				
MAXWELLS				
Disbrow	165	156	192	513
Palmer	164	169	154	487
Lott	167	173	132	472
Loushay	141	119	162	422
Shaw	134	134	134	402
Totals	771	751	774	2296
Team average, 765½.				
Cubs Take Two From Yankees.				
The Cubs took two games from the Yankees at the Y. M. C. A. bowling alleys Wednesday night by the following scores:				
CUBS:				
St. John	172	184	148	
Craft	117	117	117	
Bliss	121	121	121	
Emerick	152	167	144	
Dunn	130	121	91	
Totals	692	710	621	
YANKEES:				
Walker	156	176	159	
Tarbox	129	129	129	
Merchant	112	144	162	
VanBuren	114	114	114	
VanWie	158	128	139	
Totals	689	690	703	
Tigers Defeat Pirates.				
The Tigers took three straight games from the Pirates in the Y. M. C. A. bowling tournament last evening.				

Ing. Shaw led as high man with an average of 171.				
Summary.				
Tigers.				
Denton	163	163	163	
Platt	148	148	148	
Oriniston	117	117	117	
Church	141	124	136	
Shaw	179	192	142	
Totals	748	744	707	
Pirates.				
Pedrone	189	136	160	
A. Palmer	131	131	131	
Townsend	101	125	125	
Darling	137	137	137	
Vaugh	108	144	156	
Totals	646	673	709	
What Shall I Give Him?				
This perplexing question will be most easily and satisfactorily solved by purchasing a box of the famous "Stetson" cigars. They can be secured in most any size you wish and packed in suitable boxes for Xmas gifts.				
Under new management the East End Wet Wash Laundry has been remodeled and will begin to do first class work this morning, Dec. 15. Phone No. 394-J.				
There is no just as good as Baker's Vanilla flavoring extract. Ask your grocer.				

DULL STOCK MARKET YIELDS MORE GROUND

Reversal in British Exchange and Labor's Attitude on Railroads Cause Slump

New York, Dec. 18. — An unexpected reversal in British exchange and the attitude assumed by organized labor in connection with the return of the railroads, caused today's dull stock market to yield some of the ground gained during the previous session.

The decline in bills on London, which fell about 13 cents below yesterday's rally, was attributed in some quarters to the decision of the British court removing the ban on imports into England. This theory found few supporters among bankers and exchange dealers, who regarded the recent recovery as a natural rebound from excessive pressure.

Italis, especially low-grade issues, were depressed 1 to 5 points, but some of this loss was recovered, later on the support accorded investment shares of that division.

Call loans ruled at 6 per cent, the lowest rate of the week, but it was generally understood that the banks would not release time funds, except in moderate amounts, for the balance of the year.

The stock market became almost stagnant after the first hour, with alternate rallies and declines from the irregular opening. Oils, motors and steels provided the chief elements of uncertainty.

Metals and sugars were among the few sustaining features, the former hardening as a result of better trade prospects, while sugar strengthened on opposition in the senate to the extension of government control.

Sales amounted to 700,000 shares. The feature of the bond market was the activity of convertible or speculative railway issues, mostly at moderate concessions, several high-grade industrial bonds also easing fractionally. Liberty bonds also shaded with several of the international war issues. Total sales, par value, aggregated \$23,450,000. Old United States bonds were unchanged on call.

New York Produce.

Butter — Steady; receipts, 2,981 tubs. Creamery, higher than extras. 73 1/2 @ 74, extra (92 score) 73; first, 61 1/2 @ 72; packing stock, current make, No. 2, 42.

Eggs — Steady; receipts, 4,932 cases. Fresh gathered extras, 84 @ 85; do, extra first, 82 @ 83; do, first, 80 @ 81; state Penna. and nearby western hennery white, first to extra, 85 @ 90; do brown, 86 @ 88; do, gathered brown and mixed colors, 84 @ 85.

Cheese — Irregular; receipts, 1,445 boxes. State, whole milk, flats, current make, specials, 32 @ 32 1/2, do, average run, 31 @ 31 1/2; state, whole milk twins, current make, specials, 31 @ 32 1/2, do, average run, 31.

New York Meats.

Beeves — Receipts, 580; no trading. Calves — Receipts, 550; steady. Veals, \$17 @ 23, culls, \$14 @ 16; grassers, \$7 @ 9; yearlings, \$5 @ 6; western \$9 @ 12.

Sheep and Lambs — Receipts, 3,600. Sheep, steady; lambs, lower, sheep, \$7 @ 10; culls, \$5 @ 6; lambs, \$16 @ 18.75, culls, \$11 @ 14.

Hogs — Receipts, 2,790; steady at \$14.25 @ 14.50, pigs, \$14 @ 14.25, roughs, \$12 @ 12.50; boars, \$6 @ 8.

Chicago Grain.

	Open	High	Low	Close
CORN—				
Dec.	147	149 1/2	146 1/2	147
May	136 1/2	138 1/2	135 1/2	136 1/2
July	135	136 1/2	133 1/2	133 1/2
OATS—				
Dec.	82 1/2	83 1/2	81 1/2	82 1/2
May	83 1/2	85 1/2	83	83 1/2
July	78 1/2	78 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2

ONEONTA MARKET.

Prices Paid Producers.	
Butter, creamery	73 @ 74
Butter, fresh dairy	72 @ 73
Eggs, fresh laid, dozen	80
Dressed pork	18 @ 20
Native beef	12 @ 14
Veal	18 @ 22
Fowls	22 @ 25
Turkeys, live	42
Potatoes, bushel	1.25
Ducks	20
Turnips, bushel	80
Carrots, bushel	1.00
Apples, bushel	\$1 @ \$2

Grain and Feed at Retail.

Corn meal, cwt.	\$3.47
Cracked corn	\$3.52
Corn, per bushel, old	\$1.90
Table Meal	\$5.10
Corn and oats	\$3.39
Ground oats	\$3.30
Oats	\$1.11
Scratch feed for fowls, etc.	\$4.10
Wheat bran	\$2.86
Buckwheat, cwt.	\$3.25

Prices on Hides and Skins.

(Quoted by Miller Hide Company.) Owing to unsettled market conditions, no dependable prices on hides and skins can be quoted.

Gifts For Men.

If you want to reach a man's heart, through a gift, send him something useful. Pipes, cigar and cigarette cases, razors and safety razors, shaving sets, hair brushes, military brushes, Parker fountain pens, toilet water and don't forget to see that he gets a box of cigars. Buy him a thermos bottle or lunch kit. See our stock for further suggestions. Slide's Drug store.

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Large Kortright Farm Sold.

Charles Cleveland's large and productive farm of nearly 500 acres, located in the town of Kortright, about three miles from Bloomville, has just been sold to Dr. Miller of Ord, Nebraska, who will have possession January 1st. Mr. Cleveland, owing to poor health, will discontinue farming and contemplates locating in Oneonta. The sale includes the large and valuable farm buildings, which have all modern improvements, including lighting system and milking machine, the farm implements, this past season's crops and the money-making dairy of 70 Holstein cows. This sale was made by W. H. Maynard of Delhi, agent for the Strout company.

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DELAWARE COUNTY NEWS

WITH DELAWARE SUPERVISORS.

Highway Improvement—Routine Matters.
Dell, Dec. 18. — At Wednesday's session of the Delaware County Board of Supervisors Mr. Marvin presented the following resolution and moved its adoption: Resolved, that the salaries of the employees in the county clerk's office, be raised as follows: Two recording clerks, \$5 each per week; one index clerk \$6 per week and the deputy clerk \$200 per year. Ayes and noes being called all votes were in favor of the resolution.

Mr. Evans presented the following resolution and moved its adoption: Resolved, that the soldiers discharged be recorded without compensation and that the county clerk be empowered to employ extra help for the purpose of recording the same. All members of the board voted in the affirmative.

Mr. Wheeler moved that \$600 be appropriated for probation work and \$1,200 for Delaware County Humane

ANNUAL MEETING.
The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Oneonta Coal and Supply company will be held at the office of the company, 221 Main street, Oneonta, N. Y., on Friday, Jan. 10th, 1920, at 1 p. m., for the purpose of election of directors for the ensuing year.
Oneonta, N. Y., December 23, 1919.
H. D. Wheeler, Secretary.

Both resolutions were adopted.

Mr. Wheeler presented a petition of the town board of Sidney to bond the town for \$75,000 for highway purposes. This resolution was referred to committee on legislation, later this committee reported and the board voted in favor of the resolution.

Mr. Enderlin offered a resolution recommending some changes in state highway route 38, which route extends through Schoharie county and intersects route No. 5 at Grand Gorge. This resolution is a request to the legislature to make some changes in route highway and copies were ordered sent to the assemblyman of Delaware county and the senator from this district.

The afternoon and evening sessions of the board were largely devoted to routine matters.

DOINGS AT DAVENPORT.

Christmas Exercises in Churches.
Tuesday and Wednesday Evenings.

Davenport, Dec. 18.—The United Presbyterian Sunday school will hold their Christmas tree and exercises at the church next Tuesday evening.

The following evening, the the Methodist Episcopal society will have their exercises and tree at their

church. All are requested who have presents for friends to attend these exercises.

Pay Your Taxes.

Tax collector Frank LaFond will be ready to receive your taxes next week. The tax rate for the town of Davenport is \$17.56 per \$1,000.

Supper and Bazaar.

About \$85 was realized at the supper and bazaar given by the Epworth league of the Methodist Episcopal church Friday evening. A fine supper was served and a pleasant evening was spent.

Holiday Vacation.

There will be no school after this week until January 5th. The usual holiday vacation will be held. The teachers will spend their vacation at their homes.

AT SIDNEY CENTER.

Philatelic Class Elects — Red Cross Chapter in Prosperous Condition.
Sidney Center, Dec. 18.—The Philatelic class of the Baptist Sunday school, at their annual meeting, elected the following officers: President, Mrs. N. B. Finch; vice president, Mrs. H. J. Morse; secretary, Mrs. Albert Ingalls; treasurer, Mrs. C. M. Smith; teacher, Mrs. Jay Fitch.

New Red Cross Officers.

The annual meeting of the Sidney Center branch of the Red Cross held in the prayer room of the Baptist church Wednesday evening, the following officers were elected for

the next year: Chairman, Mrs. H. W. Dewey; vice chairman, Mrs. P. E. Moody; secretary, Mrs. J. S. Fitch; treasurer, W. H. Benedict; executive committee, Mrs. M. W. Benedict, Mrs. G. R. Young, Mrs. W. E. Sloane. The treasurer's report showed about \$300 in the treasury.

Miss Simpson Entertains.

Miss Doris Simpson entertained about 40 of her young friends and schoolmates at her home last Wednesday evening in honor of her twelfth birthday. A pleasant evening was enjoyed by the young people in playing games. Delicious refreshments were served.

Census Enumerators.

Mrs. C. W. Sagerdorf has been appointed census enumerator for district No. 175, town of Sidney, which comprises that part of the town north of the O. & W. railroad and includes Sidney Center village. C. R. Dibble 176, all south of the railroad.

Purchases Large Farm.

Elmer Beach has purchased the Samuel Lloyd farm near Franklin, including stock and farming utensils and is moving there this week. The farm contains 256 acres and the purchase price is said to be \$15,000.

IN AND OUT OF HOBBART.

Hobart, Dec. 18. — Mrs. A. S. Carroll left last evening for Oneonta and from there to Oswego, where she will spend Christmas with her son, Isaac Carroll. — Daniel Burroughs went to Oneonta yesterday, where he attended the funeral of Mrs. Burroughs' sister, Mrs. Andrew T. Russell. — B. I. Sheffield and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sheffield and daughter, Bettie, are spending a few days in New York city. — Mrs. C. Burroughs and Walter Rich were Oneonta callers Wednesday last evening and will occupy the furnished rooms of Mr. and Mrs. Conkling. — Mrs. Fred Morse was an Oneonta shopper yesterday. — At the Presbyterian church Sunday morning, Rev. Haynes will preach on "Eternal Gift." Sunday school at 11:45. Christian Endeavor at 8:45. Union service at 7:30. Sermon subject, "Joseph as a fruitful bough." — Morning worship in the Methodist Episcopal church at 10:30; sermon subject, "Back to Bethlehem." Sunday school at 11:45. Epworth league at 8:45; topic, "The Christmas Message and the Christmas Spirit." Mrs. J. B. Kniskern, leader. Union service in the Presbyterian church. A special watch night service is planned for New Year's eve. — In St. Peter's Episcopal church morning prayer at 10:30. Church school at 11:45. Evening song at 7:30. Rehearsal of Christmas carols at 7:30. — Lewis White was a business caller in Kingston today. — The Christmas chorus will practice at the Presbyterian church Saturday evening at 7:30; also on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

GRAND GORGE NOTES.

Grand Gorge, Dec. 18. — Selleck S. Cronk has purchased a new player piano. — Miss Leone Cronk, who underwent an operation at the Fox Memorial hospital in Oneonta for throat trouble, has returned home and is recovering nicely at this writing. — Miss Dorothy Parker has been assisting Postmaster Cronk in the postoffice during Miss Cronk's illness. — Mr. and Mrs. Clay Bookhout have returned home after visiting friends in Oneonta and Schenectady. — Marshall Hitchcock, who for some time past has been employed by John M. Cronk, has moved his family on the Melvin Parson's farm at Roxbury. — Mrs. Neal Fowler and daughter, Virginia, of Prattville, spent a few days with Mrs. Fowler's mother, Mrs. Clay Bookhout, last week. — The supper given by the ladies of the Reformed church at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William B. Hunter on Main street last week was a huge success, about \$90 being realized. — The Sunday school of the Methodist Episcopal church will give a Christmas entertainment at the church Christmas eve. — The Men's class of the Methodist Episcopal church will hold a "Harlequin social" at the church parlors Friday evening. Supper will be served.

EAST MEREDITH.

East Meredith, Dec. 18. — The proceeds of the Ladies' Aid supper and sale held last Friday evening were \$85. — School closes Friday for the Christmas vacation. There will be an entertainment Friday afternoon by the scholars at the school building. — Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Tobey are visiting relatives in Paterson and Newark, N. J. — Henderson Brothers have bought a milking machine. — Mrs. Stebbens has returned home from Meridale, where she spent a week with friends. — E. E. Stebbens returned Friday from New Jersey, where he attended the Dairymen's League convention. — Mrs. J. L. Smith, Mrs. W. S. Flowers and Mrs. W. Utter were in Oneonta Tuesday. — Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Beardsley had as their guests for the week-end, her brother and wife from Worcester.

Hobart Still Winning.

Hobart, Dec. 18. — Two games of basket ball were played here tonight. Hobart High school boys winning from the Stamford High boys by the score of 41 to 12 and the Hobart High school girls defeating their opponents from the Stamford school by the score of 14-7.

The Most Popular.

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PUBLIC HEALTH IN NEW YORK.

The monthly official vital statistics for New York state, which have been made public by State Health Commissioner Hermann M. Biggs, show as their main features only the usual slight increases which occur at this season of the year in the mortality from influenza and pneumonia, and the usual seasonal changes in the number of deaths from the important communicable diseases.

Although the October birth rate of 21.6 per thousand inhabitants for the state as a whole was slightly higher than that during the summer months, it nevertheless was lower than for the year 1918, and was lower than the average five year rate for any month during the period of 1913-1917. The general death rate of 19.3 per thousand and inhabitants for the state as a whole for the month of October was identical with that for September, and was a fraction lower than that for June, July, and August. The death rate for the five months of June, July, August, September and October of this year were the lowest monthly death rates ever recorded for the entire state. The state's infant mortality rate of 70 for October was 20 points lower than the average rate for that month during the five years of 1913-1917.

Although the deaths from typhoid fever usually show an increase in the autumn, the 49 deaths from this cause which occurred in October this year were less than half of the average for that month during the five year period 1913-1917, and were less by 8 than the number for September. The number of deaths from measles and whooping cough were lower than the average. The diphtheria mortality showed the usual increase and the number of deaths from this cause in October were slightly higher than the five year average.

The number of deaths from automobile accidents in the state jumped from 79 in Sept. to 128 in October, or 40 more than the monthly average.

BOYS WHO LEFT THE FARMS.

Of America's mighty war forces of more than four and a half million of men, 1,200,000, it is estimated, came from farms. Records in the Bureau of War Risk Insurance in Washington, D. C., indicate that these farm-bred or farm-raised boys carried government life insurance amounting to over ten billion dollars.

During the earlier demobilization, it was so difficult to keep track of the discharged service men that it seemed as though a very large proportion of them did not return to their former addresses or homes. So many of the service men who had come from the farms seemed to be listening to the call of the city that it was feared more than one-half of them were not going back to the farms. Later the tide of migration set in toward the country, and now it is believed that the loss in man-power to the farms as the result of former service men settling elsewhere may not be more than 500,000.

NEW BOOKS AND STORY HOURS.

Oneonta Public Library Offerings of New Books and Entertainments.

There will be a story hour at the public library, Saturday morning at 11 o'clock for the smallest children, those of eight years and under.

At 1 o'clock in the afternoon will be one for the children over eight years old.

At both story hours Christmas stories will be told, and afterward there will be some time for looking at the beautifully illustrated books recently bought.

Some attractive titles added to the books for boys and girls are: New sets of the Mark Tidd books and of the Bob's Bill Boys; new Alsholers and Eatons; Roosevelt's Letters to his Children; Between the Lines on the American Front (Ames); Champion of the Foothills (Theiss); Scouting with General Funston (Tomlinson); Young Crusades of the Sky (Coombs); Dave Porter's War Honors (Stratmeyer); Twin Travelers in South America (Wade); Carla's New World (Blanchard); Cinderella's Granddaughter (Gibbs); Little Miss Grasshopper (Spry); the Peter & Polly books; Little Book of the War (Tappan); and many more.

West Kortright Grange Elects.

West Kortright, Dec. 18. — At a recent meeting of the West Kortright grange, held at the home of E. W. Georgia, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Master, E. P. Frisbee; overseer, S. A. Strongman; steward, Everett Talt; lecturer, Mae Bashford; chaplain, Mrs. E. P. Frisbee; assistant steward, O. R. Lamphere; lady assistant steward, Mrs. O. Lamphere; secretary, Mrs. E. W. Georgia; treasurer, Mrs. Howard Turner; flora, Mrs. S. A. Strongman; cere, Mrs. F. C. Kluhs; pomona, Mrs. Fred Strongman.

Purchases National Cash Register. A. R. Benedict has purchased of Henry Linker, agent, and installed a new National cash register in his shoe store on Main street.



Brazilian coffee house in New York city has been purchased by sons and nephews of the late Col. Roosevelt, who contemplate a chain of coffee houses throughout the city. It is a purely commercial proposition, without any "unlift" strings attached to it, yet some are inclined to think it may eventually solve the problem of the vanished saloon.

PRESS AND PUBLIC OPINION

Communism Among Us.

For the present we are living under a sort of enforced Bolshevism. We have dictators all around us. Our hours of work are limited. These hours are about what the new regime believes is necessary for the millennium. Our hours of amusement are limited, too. One of these days our hours of sleep may be limited for us. We are limited in the hours at which we may eat. If we are not exactly under communism we are pretty close to it in some things.

We are obeying the dictator as a matter of patriotic duty. We are making the best of it, too. But how would the ordinary citizen like to have the rule in force all the time?—[Rocky Mountain News.]

Alexander Berkman in Fear of Death.

In his argument to save his client from deportation to Russia counsel for the anarchist Berkman sought to win the sympathy of the supreme court by asserting that to send him to "the White Guard country of Russia would be equivalent to a death sentence."

Consequently Berkman, whining that he may be executed in the country to which he is going for this country's good, is not an impressive figure, as in conformity with the decision of the supreme court he is carried away from our shores.—[New York Sun.]

Stationery at Hotels.

Members of the Ohio Hotel Men's association are considering the use of a coin-in-the-slot machine to dispense stationery. The stationery item in hotels is a considerable one, for the cost of paper has more than doubled. The hotel men say that it costs \$400 to provide writing materials, and that much of it is used by persons other than guests. The day may come when a person desiring to secure stationery in a hotel will have to put a nickel in the slot and pull out two sheets of paper and an envelope.—[Ithaca Press.]

Her Gentle Sarcastism.

He (with newspaper, — Here's a prophet who predicts the death of one of our greatest men within the next few weeks.

She—Is your insurance policy all paid up?—[Boston Transcript.]

Keeping a Court Out of Politics.

In re-designating Justice Frank C. Laughlin to the appellate division of the first department, Governor Smith gives deserved recognition to the services of a very learned and able judge, and meantime he makes a new contribution to the movement to divorce the bench from partisan politics.

By assigning a Democratic justice to succeed Justice Laughlin, who is a Republican, Governor Smith would have converted the appellate division

of the first department from a court with a Republican majority into a court with a Democratic majority. Whatever partisan pressure was exerted upon him to make this change, he resisted; the recommendations of the bar associations and the supreme court bench were followed, and because of Governor Smith's praise-worthy action in this case new force has been given to the non-partisan precedents already established.—[New York World.]

Germany Still Aggressive.

The immediately important evidence of German aggressive policy in the East is furnished by the halt of her army in Courland. There is a parley going on between the Bolsheviks and the Baltic states looking to peace making. The Bolshevik terms are so severe that the Baltic provinces announce their desire to form an alliance for mutual protection. Just at this critical moment the Germans halt their troops in Courland. If this does not mean an implied threat that these troops are ready to cooperate with Lenin's forces, as they have cooperated in the past, it at least has every appearance of it.—[Philadelphia Press.]

The Triumph of Italy.

The hopes of the Russian Soviets for a world conquest were dealt a smashing blow on Saturday when the Italian Parliament, by a decisive majority, voted against a proposal for the immediate recognition by Italy of the Soviet government of Russia. The proposal, put forth by the Socialists and supported by a skillful propaganda by the Italian Radicals, was defeated by a vote of 289 to 124. By the action of their representatives in Parliament, the Italian people have gone unmistakably on record as favoring the forces of law and order.—[Boston Transcript.]

The Gentle Optimist.

There may be a shortage of sugar and an almost complete lack of beverages yet there are still a few unflinching optimists who find life sweet and cheerful.—[Albany Argus.]

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ESSAY CONTEST CLOSES.

Janice Neal, Amie Eldredge and Lena Carrington Winners of Prizes.

The prize essay contest conducted by Miss Thompson, English teacher, in the third and fourth year English classes closed Wednesday. The essays were written on five phases of the subject of lumber. The prizes, \$5, \$3, and \$1, were offered by Roscoe C. Briggs.

Janice Neal, who wrote on the subject, "The Advantages of Hard Wood Floors," was awarded the first prize. The second prize was awarded to Amie Eldredge, who wrote on the subject, "The Kinds and Uses of Lumber." Lena Carrington, whose subject was, "The Advantages of Hard Wood Floors," was the recipient of the third prize.

The first prize essay written by Janice Neal will be forwarded to the American Lumberman and entered in the national contest.

OTEGO BRANCH RED CROSS.

To Meet Saturday Afternoon to Sew for Stricken Family.

The Otego branch of the Red Cross will meet at the home of Mrs. S. R. Lewis in that village on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, to sew for the family recently deprived of nearly all their clothing by fire. The officers send out an earnest request to all women to attend whether members of the Red Cross or not as the assistance of all who are willing to give their time and services to help this needy family. The purpose is a most worthy one and it will add to your own cheer at this festive season to aid those in distress.

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Girls' \$15.00 Winter Coats; your choice \$6.00
Women's Fur Sets; your choice \$7.00
Women's \$10.00 Muffs or Scarfs; your choice \$2.75
Women's \$10.00 Raincoats; your choice \$4.00
Women's \$15.00 Raincoats; your choice \$7.00
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2 p. m. - - - - - 6°
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Maximum, 9; Minimum, 21°
Below zero.

LOCAL MENTION.

—There will be no week-day services at St. James' church this evening. The mid-week evening services will be resumed in January and will be held Thursday evenings.

—Fred Thayer, an optometrist for several years in Edmeston, afterwards with the Oneonta Optical works and more recently in Binghamton, has rented offices in the Fairchild building and will open for business with the new year.

—The December meeting of the Men's club of the First Presbyterian church will be held at the church tonight. A timely debate will be put on by six young men of the church and promises to be very interesting. All men of the congregation are invited.

—John J. Mulkins recently purchased of Abram Osterhout the house and lot at 25 Otsego street and has taken possession of the same as a residence. Mr. Mulkins has been confined to the house for two weeks and more by illness. He is now able to be about, although not fully recovered.

—C. C. Miller is making several alterations in the interior of his store on Chestnut street to accommodate the increasing trade. The office that formerly occupied part of the sales department has been relegated to a separate room and the space is occupied by a show case. Several new show cases have been installed in the space formerly occupied by the old ones.

—Last there be misunderstanding on the part of some subscribers relative to the announcement of the new rates for The Star delivered by carrier. It may be stated that it is not necessary to pay for a full year in order to take advantage of the advance payment privilege. Those who wish may pay for three, six or nine months as they choose at the \$5 rate. The only limitation is that no advance payment beyond December 31, 1920, can be accepted.

Oneonta Theatre Installs Furnaces.
C. C. Miller is installing two large warm air furnaces in the Oneonta theatre, one in each corner of the stage. In addition to the furnace already in use. They will be in working order immediately and will be used to heat the theatre temporarily.

The new heating system for the new theatre in being installed this week and will be in working order by the end of the week. It will be used in conjunction with the other heating system to temporarily heat the theatre.

In the addition to the theatre now under construction, the dressing room and portion of the roof above it is completed. The brick work is nearly completed and, weather permitting, the remainder of the roof will be erected this week.

Meetings Today.

All who are to take part in the Christmas exercises at the First Baptist church meet this evening at 6:30 o'clock at the church for rehearsal. Children of the First Presbyterian church will meet Friday at 4 o'clock for rehearsal.

Regular meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Y. M. C. A. will be held at the association rooms today at 2:30. Important business to be transacted. A large attendance is desired.

Oneonta council, 385, United Commercial Travelers of America, Odd Fellows' temple, 8 p. m. Initiation, smoker and lunch.

Notice.

Is hereby given that I, the undersigned, collector of taxes in and for the town of Oneonta, have received the tax roll and warrant for the collection of taxes for the present year and that I will attend at my residence at West Oneonta, N. Y., in said town, on every week day, except at Cope's store, Oneonta Plains, Friday, January 9, 1920, and at M. G. Joles' store, Main street, Oneonta, N. Y., Friday, January 2nd and 16, 1920, in each week for 30 days from the date hereof, from 9 o'clock in the forenoon until 4 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the taxes assessed upon such roll.

Dated this 15th day of December, 1919. **RICHARD M. COLLIER,**
Town Collector.

Ice Harvest Helpers.

The Oneonta Ice company is about to commence harvest at Goodyear lake and has employment for a few more men. Application should be made at the company's office, in Department Store block, or to W. H. Lunn, superintendent, 6 Walnut street. Telephone 23-J. adv 21.

Are you as good as a steam pipe? They advise you to cover your pipes to retain heat and save fuel, why not cover your body and limbs with some of our all-wool underwear and save yourself? Spencer's. adv 11.

Special Today—Steak cod, halibut, lake trout, bullhead, and fresh oysters. Prompt delivery. Phone 336-W. City Fish market, 102 Main street. adv 11.

Poultry wanted—Dec. 20, 22, 23. Good hens and chickens 25c. J. H. Potter, 71 Maple street. adv 21.

Gifts from Needlecraft shop always please both giver and receiver. Look the gifts over. adv 21.

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WHEN THE ICEMAN SMILES

Zero Weather Nips Fingers and Feet and Depletes Coal Bins But the Ice-man is Happy—Flattering Outlook for Crop of 1920—Some Weather Notes of Past Two Days.

There is no doubt that the iceman smiles this zero weather. Last winter from earliest December until the end of what should have been the cold season he waited anxiously for zero weather, and though there was a little of it, there was so little that even with his best endeavors he was unable to harvest anything like the quantity of ice which the business required; and in the end he had to depend largely on imported ice, much of it the artificial product. This week, after long dalliance, winter came in with a bang on Tuesday, and since that time King Boreas has been busy at his important task of the manufacture of natural ice. Not only has he been busy, his work has been most effectual, so much so that on Good-year lake there is already reported a thickness of fully seven inches.

The Oneonta Ice company, alert to seize the favorable opportunity, is getting at things in readiness. This morning, as will be seen by an advertisement in The Star, it is calling for workmen, and it is hoped to begin cutting Saturday and to continue until all that is required for the season, and a dependable surplus for an emergency, is in its houses. The comparatively light snowfall has to a slight extent hindered the growth of the ice, but with weather as cold as that of the past three days or even a few degrees warmer, the ice will continue to thicken. Whether it does or not, the company proposes to get busy early and to keep busy until its supply is harvested. The man who views with regret the lessening coal pile in his cellar and the increasing pile of ashes outside, may have less of joy than the iceman, but even his grief is tempered by the thought that another summer, ice may be more plentiful and cheaper.

As will be seen by the summary of weather conditions printed at the head of another column, the thermometer in Oneonta at 9 o'clock Thursday morning was 18 degrees below zero. The highest temperature of the 24 hours was 9 degrees above, the lowest was 21 below, and at 8 o'clock last night it was 7 degrees below. The official weather forecaster at Albany predicts rising temperature today, but he does not say anything about a return to the balmy air of less than a week ago. Altogether, if appearances count, one may look for the regular, old-fashioned Christmas this year.

Trains on all railroads throughout the east were much delayed by inability to keep up steam. In Oneonta the D. & H. morning trains were an hour or more late, but in the afternoon they practically ran on time. At Binghamton, where 18 to 25 degrees below was registered, street car service was badly hampered. At Poughkeepsie the record was 12 below, 18 below at Watertown and at Elmira 9 below. At Utica it was 12 below and at Big Moose, favorite resort of Oneonta hunters in the deer season, 34 below. It was the opinion of Forecaster Todd at Albany that the mercury would not register below zero last night, but evidently the forecaster didn't know.

BASKET BALL TO-NIGHT.

Fast Games Scheduled at High School This Evening.

The High School gymnasium will be the scene of a double battle this evening at 7:30 o'clock when the High school first team plays the Roxbury High, and the Oneonta girls play the Roxbury girls. Both of these teams met at Roxbury a few weeks ago and at that time the locals were successful in winning both games.

All teams concerned have been practicing hard for tonight's games, and the outlook is for two fast ones this evening. At Roxbury the boys' team was unfortunate, in having Jimmy Tamssett, star forward, put out of action early in the game by an injury to the knee, however, they won the game by a close margin. Jimmy is now back in shape, and has resolved to make up for all action he lost in that game, and fans expect to see him, cage many points in tonight's game. With Perry and Tamssett working together in forward positions the Roxbury crowd are going to find a tough proposition to overcome and we have a strong hunch the Oneontae are going to keep the bacon and send the boys from the Catskills home with the rind.

Dance at Otsego Tonight

At Fuller's Opera house. Everybody come and have a good time. Best of order in hall. Round and square dancing. Music by Collier's orchestra. adv 11.

Bert Parish has purchased the interest of Frank Dordinger in the taxi and delivery business and will conduct the same at the old stand, 21 Market street. Same old phone, 576. adv 61.

For Sale—A few hand-made articles—embroidery, crochet, and tatting. Mrs. Peters, Draper street. adv 21.

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MANY RE-INSPECTIONS MADE.

Chief Inspector Ash Visits City and Will Consider all Protests.

As a result of the protest filed with the state department of labor by Mayor Ceperley that many of the orders served upon owners of mercantile establishments here to enforce compliance with the sanitary code regulations by an inspector recently visiting the city were unreasonable and required unnecessary expenditures, Charles B. Ash, chief mercantile inspector of the department, visited the city yesterday and after a conference with Mayor Ceperley, during which he assured that official that the department has no intention to enforce any unreasonable regulations, aiming solely to serve the public and protect it, he, accompanied by the Mayor, made a re-inspection of nearly a dozen of the stores having protests filed with the department, with the result that in the great majority of instances he was able to adjust the matter satisfactorily, it being necessary only in a very few instances to insist on compliance.

In defence of the former inspection he said that his assistants were expected to serve notices where conditions did not meet requirements, the code being based upon sanitary rules and chiefly for the protection of female employees. Those who receive such notices are expected and requested to file protests if they are viewed as unreasonable and unnecessary. No drastic action is taken until after a re-inspection and then only where persistent refusal to comply after a second inspection makes it clear that the suggested changes are necessary.

Those who met Mr. Ash were impressed with his good intentions and that according to his conception the department has no disposition to be arbitrary. He stated that the conditions here are unusually good and that the city should be proud of its mercantile institutions, expressing his surprise to find such an array of fine stores in an inland city. He was compelled to leave on the afternoon train to keep an important engagement in Albany. He will return at a later date for further re-inspections. Meanwhile all who believe they have good grounds upon which to protest the previous orders should, if they have not already done so, file their protests with the state department. No summary action will be taken, he gave assurance, until all protests are considered nor until time is given with workmen available in the city to complete them.

Morning Trains Delayed.

Owing to the extreme cold weather, which rendered working conditions very difficult and greatly impeded railroad operations, all morning trains on the D. & H. were delayed Thursday, in some cases for several hours.

Those sport vests are not only good looking, but extremely comfortable. Navy, brown, green, 100 per cent all-wool. Kumpf-Kloth. Spencer's. adv 11.

GOOD TIME FOR THE KIDDIES

Elks to Give Christmas Entertainment and Dinner for Poor Children of City Sunday Afternoon—Special Performance for Visitors Tomorrow Afternoon.

Plans are rapidly nearing completion for the Christmas entertainment, tree and dinner, to be given by the Elks for the poor children of Oneonta next Sunday afternoon. About 160 youngsters have accepted the following invitation:

You are invited to come and spend the afternoon with your big brother Elks and Santa Claus at the Elks club, 99 Main street, Sunday, December 21st, at 3:30 o'clock. There will be plenty of good things to eat and something on the Christmas tree for you in remembrance of the best wishes of Oneonta lodge of Elks. Bring this card with you and be on hand at 3:30 p. m.

They will probably sit down to the Christmas dinner complete with all the trimmings. There will be an abundance of everything so that all may be filled up to their hearts' desire.

Owing to the limited capacity of the rooms it has been decided to admit only members of the fraternity Sunday. As there is now such a large membership, this is rendered necessary.

In order that the families and friends of the Elks may have an opportunity to witness the entertainment and see the decorations a special performance will be given at the club house Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Members of the organization are busily engaged in creating scenery and making preparations for the event. A great number of miniature electric lights will be used and the scenery itself is of exceptional beauty. A complete program of events will be given in Friday's Star.

Millinery.

Special prices on hats for the Christmas trade from \$1.95 up. We have a few children's hats at \$1.00 each. Sniffin & VanCleft, 248 Main street. adv 21.

The right Christmas card for those you do not send to in a wholesale way. You will find the correct greeting and sentiment for the old friends you still love, at Needlecraft shop, 5 Elm street. adv 21.

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PERSONALS

Levant Seeger, Elm street, spent Thursday in Milford visiting relatives.

Mrs. Fred Squires of Otego was in the city yesterday on shopping errands.

Mrs. W. H. Maynard of Franklin was a business caller in this city Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Yotz of Otego were in the city yesterday on business errands.

Mrs. E. P. Bolton of Middleburgh has returned home after a visit with Onondaga friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Webb Chamberlain of Schenectady were in Oneonta on shopping errands yesterday.

Mrs. George Roberts of Westford is a guest for a week of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Perry of South Side.

Mrs. Mary Nelson, 163 Main street, left Thursday for Albany to spend a few days visiting relatives.

Mrs. E. D. Hirshey, 14 Reynolds avenue, left Thursday for Albany to spend the day on business.

Mrs. Charles Marsh, 7 Church street, left Thursday for Albany to spend the day on business.

Mrs. Tillie Blakely and daughter, Marion, of Otego, were in the city yesterday on shopping errands.

Miss Vera Strail and Mrs. Frank Strever of Schenectady were in the city Wednesday on shopping errands.

Mrs. M. Lacher and children, 5 Church street, left Thursday for Albany to spend the day on business.

Mrs. J. E. Hewell, 46 Academy street, left Thursday for Albany to spend a few days visiting relatives.

Ralph Bennett of Schenectady and H. M. Wales of Cherry Valley were in the city Wednesday on business errands.

Miss Helen Clover and Miss Ruth Light of Morris are attending the Teacher's Conference at the High school.

Mrs. Bert Salisbury of Maryland was called to Bainbridge yesterday to attend funeral of her cousin, Mrs. Hugh Bennett.

Mrs. David Caswell has returned to her home in Albany after a visit with her son, David Caswell Jr., at 44 Valleyview street.

Jesse A. Millard of Binghamton is the guest for a few days of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Millard, of Lower Chestnut street.

Dr. P. I. Bugbee, principal of the Oneonta State Normal school, was in Albany yesterday on business with the State Education department.

Dolphus Luce and Sterlington Harrington, students at the Hotchkiss school, returned to this city yesterday to spend the Christmas holidays with their parents.

Crosby Seybolt, who is a student at Wesleyan university, arrived in this city yesterday to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alva Seybolt.

Mrs. V. M. Webster and Mrs. Thomas Cooke of East Springfield and Miss Elizabeth Miller and Mrs. James E. Dante of East Worcester were among business callers in Oneonta Wednesday.

Miss Frances E. Rowe, who is attending Oberlin college, Oberlin, Ohio, arrived in this city Thursday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Spencer Rowe, 31 Maple street.

J. N. Holmes of this city left Thursday afternoon for Cobleskill, where last evening he attended the annual roll call and banquet of the I. O. O. F. of that village. Though long a resident of Oneonta, Mr. Holmes still retains his membership in the Cobleskill lodge.

FUNERAL OF RICHARD L. KEARNEY.

Private funeral services for the late Richard Livingston Kearney were held at 2 a. m. yesterday at the family residence, 255 Chestnut street, followed by regular high mass at 9.30 at St. Mary's Roman Catholic church. Father McCaffrey officiated and the body was taken to the mausoleum in the Plains cemetery for interment later at Mt. Calvary cemetery. There was a profusion of flowers, among them a beautiful offering from the Bush Terminal company in New York city. The bearers were Thomas Maloney, John Burke, James Riley, Thomas Younger, Ira Grogan and Richard Daley—all life-long friends of the deceased.

Among the relatives present from out of the city were Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kearney of New York city and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kearney and sons of Schenectady.

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Death of Former East Meredith Man.

Mrs. Margaret Blakely of 38 Grove street received a telegram yesterday announcing the death of her brother, John McAulan, who for many years had resided in the west. His death occurred on Tuesday, December 16, at his home in Seattle, Wash. No particulars have yet been received. Mr. McAulan was 71 years of age and a native of East Meredith. He is survived by the sister above named and by his wife and two daughters, all residing at Seattle.

Yesterday Morning's Fire.

The fire department was summoned to the home of E. Stapleton, 23 Fair street, yesterday morning at 7:15 o'clock in response to a telephone alarm of fire. The fire was caused by a chimney burning out. No damage was done and the fire was extinguished before the arrival of the department.

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will tell you once you have seen our display of Jewelry and have compared our prices—just why you should buy your jewelry here.

A Few Christmas Gift Suggestions

You can't go wrong with a watch. Selecting a Christmas gift for a man or a lady is not always easy, but you can't go wrong if you choose a watch of proven merit. We carry a line of

Elgin, Waltham, and Hamilton Watches, as well as Swiss makes, celebrated the world over for centuries.

WRIST WATCHES MAKE IDEAL GIFTS.

See our large assortment of makes and styles. The prices are more reasonable than you may have thought.

Other Gift Suggestions

Emblem Rings	Cameo Brooches
Stone Rings	Belt Buckles
Birthingstone Rings	Gold Knives
Diamond Rings	Toilet Sets
Emblem Buttons	Mesh Bags
Military Brushes	Cuff Links
Emblem Charms	Scarf Pins
Cigarette Cases	Watch Chains
Fountain Pens	Pearl Necklaces
Cameo Rings	

Silverware, Cut Glass, White Ivory Clocks

OUR NAME YOUR PROTECTION—Articles bought here bear the reputation of many years of integrity, quality and satisfaction.

DON'T DELAY—Come at once to this store and make your selections, and be satisfied.

LEWIS & BATES

Cor. Broad & Main Sts. Oneonta

CHRISTMAS TREE WARNING

A Few Simple Don'ts to Reduce the Fire Hazard Caused from Christmas Tree Candles — Many Children Burned to Death Yearly from This Cause.

- Many children lose their lives yearly and much destruction of property is caused from the careless and improper use of candles and Christmas tree decorations. If the following list of don'ts is carefully followed, there is little chance that your home will be turned from a "House of Merriment to a House of Mourning."
1. See to it that no Christmas tree is decorated with paper, cotton or any other inflammable material. Use metallic tinsel and other non-inflammable decorations only, and set the tree securely that children reaching for things cannot tip it over.
2. Do not use cotton to represent snow. If you must have snow, use powdered mica or asbestos fibre.
3. Do not permit children to light or relight candles. A tree should be lighted only by a responsible person. Do not leave the lighted tree alone for a moment. The cheap modern candle burns rapidly, bows over, exposing more wick, creating a larger flame, and soon the entire tree is a mass of flames.
4. Use electric lights, it is safer, but have some one install them that knows how.
5. Put matches away so that children can not find them, as children are easily tempted to light a tree. Candles are meant to be lighted and if children can get matches they will experiment with them. They imitate their elders.
6. Never place candles in windows. There is always a great danger that candles so placed will set curtains and draperies on fire, and if the family happens to be away from home, the fire would get a big start before neighbors would observe it.
7. Candle sticks are a menace unless they have a broad base and made from non-burning material.
8. Remove all package wrappings, such as excelsior and tissue paper, and place candles well up on the tree, so that children's clothing cannot come in contact with them.
9. Do not allow trees to remain inside of buildings after the holidays. The tree itself ignites readily when the needles become dry. A large number of fires usually occur in January from this cause.

To Teach the Teachers.

"The teacher in this center," says the annual report of the Association of Practical Housekeeping Centers, candidly, "has been so successful in her work with children whose mentality is below normal, that she is to teach the teachers of the New York university this summer."—(Exchange.)

Conference at Scranton.

The board of bishops of the Methodist Episcopal church have arranged for the annual session of the Wyoming conference to meet in Elm Park church, Scranton, from April 7th to 12th, 1920. Bishop Joseph H. Perry, of Philadelphia, will preside.

Little Hope for Recovery.

There was but little encouragement held out yesterday for the recovery of Mell J. Farnon of 72 Dietz street, who remains critically ill of pneumonia at his home.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank the neighbors and friends for kindness shown during the illness and after the death of our father, and also for the beautiful flowers sent.

Mr. and Mrs. DeForest Swift.
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gilbert.
Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Baldwin.
Harry Baldwin.

Card of Thanks.

The family of the late Richard-Livingston Kearney desire to thank their many friends and neighbors who so thoughtfully helped us during the illness and death of our father, and also for the beautiful flowers sent.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Winfield.
Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Yager.
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Kearney.
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kearney.
William Kearney

I will commence a new taxi and quick delivery service Monday, Dec. 22, with two new cars. My headquarters will be at 59 South Main street, and my phone call will be 24. Frank Bordinger. advt. cod. ft.

THE BELL CLOTHING COMPANY

The Store That Saves You Money

His Gift---

Selected at this Men's Shop will surely please. And it would only be natural that it should. We are his own source of supply throughout the year for Neckwear, Shirts, Gloves, Socks, Mufflers, Umbrellas, Underwear, Handkerchiefs as well as

Suits and Overcoats

Her Gift---

Selected in Our Exclusive Women's Department Equally as Pleasing. Our Ladies' Department is an ideal shopping place for ladies' wear of every description.

No better Gift can be thought of—no other Gift will be as much appreciated as a gift of wearing apparel.

Our Suits and Overcoats---

Purchased now at the reduced prices not only will make a desirable present, but mean a big saving by making your purchases now. These prices represent an actual reduction from 40 to 60 per cent. A few suggestions from our Bargain Offerings:

Winter Underwear	
Men's Jersey Ribbed Shirts or Drawers; regular \$1.25 grade at	98c
Men's Fleece Union Suits; heavy weight; special at	\$1.98
Men's Wool Shirts or Drawers; nearly all wool at	\$1.98
Men's Wool Union Suits; very warm; \$6.00 value at	\$3.98
Boys' Fleece Union Suits; very heavy; all sizes at	\$1.49
Men's Jersey Ribbed Union Suits; all sizes; good weight, \$2.50 value; special	\$1.98
Men's good, heavy Wool Socks; perfect goods; 75c grade at	49c
Women's Hose; nice quality, white only; at	19c
Bath Robes for Ladies; all colors; special at	\$4.98

Women's and Children's Winter Underwear Offered to You at Last Year's Prices	
Women's 75c Vests and Pants; all sizes; bleached; high neck; all long sleeves or short sleeves; open or closed Pants at	59c
Women's very fine quality white, light fleece Vests or Pants; fine garment at	\$1.10
Women's Union Suits; light fleece; ribbed; bleached; dandy garment at	98c
Women's light weight Union Suits; made with Dutch neck; very nice at	75c
Ladies' Ribbed Pants; light weight at	49c
Children's Vests and Pants; bleached; sizes to 14 years; high neck; long sleeves	59c
Misses' Union Suits; fleeced; sizes 2 to 16 years; special at	98c to \$1.12
Ladies' Muslin Night Gowns; nicely trimmed; full cut at	89c
Ladies' Muslin Gowns; good Muslin, trimmed with embroidery; at	\$1.49

Santa's Headquarters

ONEONTA DEPARTMENT STORE

Incorporated

THE STORE THAT LEADS

COME HERE, FOLKS, AND SPEND AN HOUR OR SO IN THIS BIG BUSY STORE. AND WE BELIEVE YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING WORRIES WILL BE AT AN END, FOR HERE YOU'LL FIND MOST EVERYTHING YOU MAY DESIRE IN WORTH-WHILE GIFTS FOR FATHER, MOTHER, BROTHER, SISTER AND BABY — AND HERE, TOO, YOU FIND EVERYTHING THAT'S NEEDED IN GROCERIES FOR YOUR JOYOUS CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER.

We Have a Larger and More Complete Assortment of Candies

THAN EVER BEFORE — ALL NEW AND FRESH
FRUITS AND NUTS
PRICES RIGHT AS USUAL



Classified Advertisements

ONE CENT A WORD

Classified advertisements will be inserted at the rate of one cent a word for the first week. All other rates will be charged after the third week. No order accepted at less than 10 cents.

STAR WANTS

For advertisements in touch with more than 10,000 readers daily.

USE THE TELEPHONE

For quick orders will receive the same accurate attention as if you called in person.

Call 116 and please state definitely how long you wish advertisements inserted.

Advertisements ordered published until paid for are accepted with the understanding that they will be held until a written notice to stop is received at The Star office.

UNCALLED FOR ANSWERS

Numerous answers to classified advertisements remain at The Star office uncalled for. Advertisers who have used the following signatures should call for answers:

AMC, ANN, ANN, ET, L. J. MM, MN, Wagon's Wear, X12, 191, 900, AEF.

When asking for these answers, please say, "advertising answers."

TO RENT

TO RENT—Five room apartment with bath at 84 Center street. Inquire 35 Maple street.

TO RENT—To adults, upper flat, five rooms and bath, modern improvements, at 243 Chestnut street. Phone 468-W2.

FOR RENT—Modern flat at 508 Chestnut street, third floor, six rooms and bath. No children. Call 176-32.

TO RENT—Five room apartment at 15 South Main street, \$15.00. Inquire Arthur Seybold, 109 Main street.

TO RENT—Six rooms. Phone 577-W2.

TO RENT—At 57 Main street; suitable for automobiles. Phone 238-M.

TO RENT—Modern house at 75 East street; 11 rooms with bath, stationary range and tub, electric light; possession at once. Mrs. Dorman Baldwin, 67 1/2 Dietz street.

HOUSE TO RENT—19 East End avenue. All modern improvements. Inquire at 13 East End avenue.

TO RENT—Suite of six rooms, on ground floor. Improvements. Central location. Dr. J. P. Elliott, Phone 170-J.

TO RENT OR FOR SALE—At once, house at 185 West Broadway. Apply V. E. Bailey, 185 West Broadway. Phone 11-V.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Ford touring car, A-1 condition. Bargain if taken at once. Maryland garage, Maryland, N. Y.

FOR SALE—Cutter and single harness. V. E. Bailey, 185 West Broadway.

FARM—135 acres, near station; 30 cows, tools, team, hay, timber, \$8,000. Ford touring car, 20 acres, \$2,000. Wm. Thorpe, Sidney Road, V. E. Smith, South Side.

FOR SALE—A good pair of light delivery boys in first class condition. O. K. Wink, 185 West Broadway. Phone 37.

FOR SALE—Geeze, 45 cents pound delivered. Phone 14-43.

FOR SALE—Bully goat. Cheap if sold at once. Chas. H. Hays, 109 Main street.

FOR SALE—Ten Barred Rock pullets, now laying. Inquire at 19 Brook street.

NECKTIE VALET—Makes wrinkled neckties like new. No ironing! It is presser and hanger combined. Inquire at 185 West Broadway. Phone 11-V.

FOR SALE—Nine-room house in good condition, central location, with bath, stationary range, hot and cold water, furnace, \$2,500; immediate possession. Chas. N. Murdoch, 7 Ford avenue.

FOR SALE—One pair black horses, five and six years old, weight 1,500 lb. each. Chas. N. Murdoch, Phone 282-W, 9 Neahwa place.

FOR SALE—One bookcase, Morris chair, one mandolin and case. 38 Ford avenue.

FOR SALE—Burroughs adding machine, \$150 model, at half price. Inquire Laurens & Howe, Oneonta.

FOR SALE—Modern bungalow, centrally located, improved, \$3,100. One-acre farm on state road, near city, good buildings, running water. One of 1-1/2 acres; new buildings. And one of 18 acres. A. C. Lewis, 9 Hickory street. Phone 165-J.

FOR SALE—Two Buick bargains; six cylinder, five-passenger, one four cylinder, one four cylinder. Inquire at 185 West Broadway. Phone 11-V.

FOR SALE—One kind and gentle horse; one buskswagen; one covered wagon; one light horse; one light horse. Inquire Mrs. E. H. Dyer, 65 Gilbert street. Phone 922-W.

FOR SALE—A new Oakland six touring car. 14 Hickory street.

ONE CENT A WORD

30 acres with first class set buildings, close to city, with 14 cows, good farming stock. 20 prime cows, half milk and half beef, 10 horses, 200 hams, extensive set farming stock. 400 set buckets and equipment, one acre from Illinois and Indiana level road. \$10,500. 120 acres, large well and not many stone, good set buildings, by side of railroad and milk station. 11 cows, with 200 set farm with first class set buildings, 3000000. 30 cows, 10 horses, 200 hams, 1000000. Other farms and poultry places. Charles N. Murdoch, 7 Ford avenue, Oneonta, N. Y.

FOR SALE—One horse power stationary engine, one five horse power, one one and one half horse power, one one and one half horse power. Schuyler Lake, or A. H. Murdoch, Oneonta.

FOR SALE—One second hand four ton service truck. Phone 57-W, E. R. Patterson, 20 Maple street, Oneonta.

FURNISHED ROOMS

FOR RENT—One, large furnished pleasant bedroom for lady. Can do cooking if desired. Call after 1 p. m. 22 Columbia street.

WANTED—Furnished rooms for light housekeeping. Must be farm, with improvements. Phone 520-W, or call at 27 Maple street.

TO RENT—Three rooms furnished for light housekeeping. Phone 494-W, 11 Cedar street.

TO RENT—Four furnished rooms, all improvements, central location; also garage for rent. J. F. Elliott, Phone 79-J.

TWO FURNISHED rooms for light housekeeping; range, electric lights. 140 Chestnut street.

FURNISHED FRONT ROOM—Centrally located, all improvements. Phone 13-J.

FURNISHED ROOM over Rhears's Music store. Inquire at room 8, Saturday afternoon, or after 6:30 evening.

TO RENT—Front room with bath, central location, or do light housekeeping if desired. Call afternoon at 11 Fair street.

TO RENT—Four furnished rooms for light housekeeping. 59 Elm street.

TO RENT—Furnished front room at 32 Chestnut street. Call after 4 o'clock.

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—Auto crank. Owner may have same by calling at Wilber National bank and paying for this advertisement.

LOST—Insurance policy made out to Bloch and M. Hunter. Finder please return to Star office or notify 585-M.

FOUND—Thursday morning, lady's pocketbook. Owner can recover same by calling at 20 Dietz street and paying for this notice.

LOST—In the Oneonta theatre yesterday afternoon, a small brown purse containing sum of money and keys with name on ring. Finder please leave at The Star office.

LOST—Between Francis Motor Sales Co. and East End bakery, light fold containing car keys, one five and four one dollar bills. Finder please leave at Star office and receive reward.

LADY'S BLACK LEATHER pocketbook recently stolen from trolley station and Chestnut street school. Contained small sum of money and Woman's club and Eastern Star cards. Finder please return to Star office or notify 585-M.

LOST—An auto chain, 30x3 1/2 on East, Pine or Main streets. Finder kindly leave at Star office.

FOUND—Man's glove. Owner can have same by calling at Star office and paying for this advertisement.

LOST—A gold coin link, somewhere in city. Finder leave at Star office.

WORK WANTED

WANTED—Moving and trucking. Phone 520-W, C. J. Shuman.

LACE CURTAINS LAUNDED—At 92 Center street. Mrs. H. Kenyon. Phone 1024-W-2.

WANTED—Pictures to frame. Ward's Art Shop, 149 Main street.

ROOMERS WANTED

WANTED—Roomers. Call 705-M2.

WANTED—A roomer at 82 Dietz street.

WANTED—Roomers and lodgers, at the Wilson house.

BOARDERS WANTED

WANTED—Table boarders. Mrs. Fancher, 11-2 Elm street.

WANTED—Boarders and roomers. Rates reasonable. Phone 151-W.

COOPERSTOWN & ONEONTA BUS LINE

Time Table No. 6, in Effect Sept. 19, 1919. If our Service phases you tell others; if not, tell us.

Sundays	Week Days	Leave	Arrive	Sundays	Week Days	Leave	Arrive
1:30 P.M.	7:30 A.M.	Oneonta	10:15	1:30 P.M.	7:30 A.M.	Oneonta	10:15
4:45	8:45	Coopersville	10:45	4:45	8:45	Coopersville	10:45
7:00	11:00	Index (N.Y.H.R.)	11:00	7:00	11:00	Index (N.Y.H.R.)	11:00
8:15	12:15	Harvard Seminary	12:15	8:15	12:15	Harvard Seminary	12:15
9:30	1:30	Clinton	1:30	9:30	1:30	Clinton	1:30
10:45	2:45	Milford	2:45	10:45	2:45	Milford	2:45
12:00	4:00	Portville	4:00	12:00	4:00	Portville	4:00
1:15	5:15	Miller Center	5:15	1:15	5:15	Miller Center	5:15
2:30	6:30	Callers (D. & H.)	6:30	2:30	6:30	Callers (D. & H.)	6:30
3:45	7:45	Oneonta City Line	7:45	3:45	7:45	Oneonta City Line	7:45
5:00	9:00	Oneonta, N. Y.	9:00	5:00	9:00	Oneonta, N. Y.	9:00

Busses stop anywhere on signal. Busses make a 5-minute stop at Milford in both directions.

ONEONTA AND WORCESTER BUS LINE

Time Table No. 3, in Effect Dec. 15, 1919.

A.M.	P.M.	Leave	Arrive	A.M.	P.M.	Leave	Arrive
7:15	11:15	Oneonta	10:40	7:15	11:15	Oneonta	10:40
7:30	11:30	Colliers	10:50	7:30	11:30	Colliers	10:50
7:45	11:45	Coopersville	11:00	7:45	11:45	Coopersville	11:00
8:00	12:00	Mayland	11:15	8:00	12:00	Mayland	11:15
8:15	12:15	Chasville	11:30	8:15	12:15	Chasville	11:30
8:30	12:30	Schenes	11:45	8:30	12:30	Schenes	11:45
8:45	12:45	Worcester	12:00	8:45	12:45	Worcester	12:00
9:00	1:00	Worcester	12:15	9:00	1:00	Worcester	12:15

Bus will not run Sundays during winter. Bus leaves Oneonta from Post Office; Worcester from Central Hotel. There is no fare charged in City Limits. Bus will not pick up passengers coming into city from city line.

ONE CENT A WORD

NEED WANTED. WANTED—Boys over 16 years of age. Riverdale Mfg. Co., corner Chestnut street and Fonda avenue.

WORK WANTED—Carpenter, painting, or other work. C. E. S. 31 Grand street, or Star office.

WANTED—Maid for housework. Apply to Mrs. F. S. Patterson, 26 Maple street.

WANTED—A man to work by the month on a farm on state road. Wilson Jarvis, Coopersville, N. Y.

WANTED—Barn man to work on dairy farm. Must be good milker. C. W. Redner, Oneonta.

WANTED—Competent woman cook for hotel. Good wages to the right party. Address L. A. Pratt, Central Bridge, N. Y.

YOUNG MEN—18-35, for railway mail clerks. \$1,300-\$1,500. Experience unnecessary. Examinations Jan. 17. For free particulars write John Leonard (former civil service examiner) 921 Equitable Bldg., Washington, D. C.

WANTED—Experienced operators on forklift trucks, clothing and fabric. Apply at Quality Silk Mills, Market street. A good place to work.

MISCELLANEOUS

WANTED—Two leads of good horse bay and 80 pullets. A. E. Nye.

WANTED—To rent piano for the winter. Good home. No children. Address 502 1/2-A, Elm.

WANTED—By the Oneonta Co-operative market—dressed turkeys and fowls. Phone 223.

WANTED—A No. 12 Mann bone cutler. Rich Bros., Hobart, N. Y.

ROOMS WANTED

WANTED—Small, well furnished, modern apartment for housekeeping. Address, Apartment 8, 501 Elm street.

WANTED—At once, by small family, three or four unfurnished rooms. Call 740-W.

STORAGE

CLEAN, DRY STORAGE TO RENT—A. E. Murdoch, Market street.

Southern New York Railway

Schedule Effective Sept. 18, 1919. Trains will leave Oneonta for Marlboro and intermediate points daily as follows:

6:45 a. m. to 8:00 a. m. and 8:45 a. m. to 9:30 a. m. daily except Sunday. 6:45 a. m. to 8:00 a. m. and 8:45 a. m. to 9:30 a. m. daily except Sunday.

In addition to regular through trains local cars will leave Oneonta for Marlboro at 10:10 a. m. and 1:40 p. m. 4:10 p. m. and 6:10 p. m. 8:10 p. m. and 9:40 p. m.

City Service. Leave Broad street daily at 6:20 a. m. and 11:25 a. m. and every half hour thereafter until 11:25 p. m. The 11:25 p. m. car from East End runs only to Broad street.

Normal Service. Leave Broad street at 6:20 a. m. and 11:25 a. m. and every half hour thereafter until 11:25 p. m. The 11:25 p. m. car from East End runs only to Broad street.

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YANKS MAKING GOOD IN FRANCE

Have Not "Americanized" Country, but Meet Success in Business.

SOME HAVE BECOME WEALTHY

Several Thousand Discharged American Soldiers Remained in France to Try Their Fortunes—News paper Men Land on Feet.

Paris.—Several thousand discharged American soldiers who remained in France to try their fortunes are faring as must fare all pioneers. A few have become reasonably wealthy; some are "prosperous progress;" the majority, however, are lying rather lower than they were when they set out to "Americanize France."

Nearly 9,000 American expeditionary force men were released here, and it is estimated a fourth of these have settled down to work here. The others are visiting, sightseeing or have gone home after a discouraging look at business prospects.

Several hundred found employment with large concerns, chiefly American firms preparing to do business in the devastated regions. Another group took various small places to pay their way while studying. The majority, it was said, started to make good by capitalizing American methods. But most of them agree that easy money is not one of the natural resources of France, but a few have proved that it is. A negro made 125,000 francs (normal value, \$25,000) buying and selling army and navy supplies at Brest. His cargo is vouchered for by a well-known American commercial executive.

Chicago Press Club Driver Wins. The most striking success reported is that of the "fox-trot kings of Paris," as they term themselves, Gerald Kiley, who drove the Chicago Press club ambulance, and Harold Fitch of St. Paul, who was at the wheel of one of Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt's ambulances and later went to the front. Kiley and Fitch, the former said, got their start over here when the wife of an American banker "pressed 500 francs (about \$100) on us" when they played in a three-man jazz band at a dance she gave. They organized a Wilson welcome ball at a leading hotel when the president arrived in Paris and netted more than 10,000 francs on the affair. This success, they said, they often duplicated at "the Dixie club" dances they organized.

Knowing that good things must not be overworked, the men took over the ice cream making equipment of the Y. M. C. A., which has a capacity of a thousand gallons an hour, and late in October began wholesaling "Dixie" ice cream.

Some of the most interesting of the American business experiences here are those of men who married French girls. Three of these are farming east of Paris, "making more money than they ever thought possible in the United States." One man married into a dairy shop. Another returned to his trade of tailoring in the same way. Scores of American boys are in business with their French fathers-in-law.

Introduce Rebuilt Typewriters. Rebuilt typewriters, familiar to Americans, have been introduced to the French by Lieut. J. L. McCann of Tuscaloosa, Ala., and George E. Howard of Pasadena, Cal. Their difficulty is too much business. Isadore Court, who was a paperhanger, boldly set himself up in the decorating business in a fashionable suburb. Lieut. S. L. Tyler of Memphis, Tenn., became a merchandise broker. Harry L. Drucker, photographer, returned to his trade.

One man who wanted to bring in carloads of automobiles and bicycle tires turned defeat into success by opening a tire sale and repair shop. Another one with the same idea is awaiting arrival of a real steam vulcanizing plant to give Paris a taste of fast work. He said virtually all tube repairs here now are made with cement patches instead of vulcanizing, and take a week instead of an hour.

Newspaper men seem to have landed on their feet most quickly. Nearly all of those who stayed are developing some "idea" outside of office hours.

Ideas for wealth may result in the establishment of a chain of hotels and restaurants along the battle front towns. One young man who mended the American "shin" is negotiating a lease for a shoe-shining parlor.

Next Time Ed Will Look. Kansas City, Mo.—A fair damsel floated into the grocery store of Ed O. Catlin on Euclid avenue.

"A bottle of milk, please," she asked sweetly. Ed got the bottle.

"Oh, what pretty eyes," she exclaimed, moving toward the rear of the store. Ed looked, as he was a man, and hadn't noticed such things. "Oh-o-o," she blushed a bit. "May I step behind your counter a moment? You see I'm—just a moment."

Ed turned and went to the front of the store. Suddenly she up and thanked him and started to the door. He remembered and looked. The bottle was still on the counter.

"Here, lady," he explained, "here's your bottle of milk." But the lady kept on going. Then he looked at the cash drawer. It was open and \$75 was missing.

Daily Thought. The flies say: Behold how we preach without words of purity—Christina Rossetti.

Rats Profile. A female rat produces 100 or more young in its lifetime.

AMERICAN ART IS ADMIRER IN PARIS

Yankee Soldiers and Sailors Join Throngs in Luxembourg Museum.

American soldiers and sailors and workers for the Young Men's Christian association and Red Cross exhibition of American paintings in the Luxembourg museum, the first of its kind to be held at Paris. While unstinted praise is being given to the many beautiful paintings, some humorous comments are to be overheard about a few which appear strange to the novice in art.

"Wouldn't I like some pumpkin pie," said one of the boys while admiring Victor Elguin's striking picture, "The Pumpkin Girl."

One picture which draws big crowds is "The Woman in Yellow" by William MacGregor Fawcett, and much admiration is accorded to John

REUNITED AFTER 60 YEARS

Sisters Separated in Denmark More Than Half a Century Ago Meet in South Dakota.

Stout Falls, S. D.—Three sisters, who were separated in Denmark 60 years ago, have been reunited in Dell Rapids.

The sisters are Mrs. George Hanson of O'Neil, Neb.; Mrs. Hannah Anderson, residing in the East, and Mrs. Chris White, who has lived in Dell Rapids for 55 years. Mrs. White did not follow her sisters to America for some years after their departure from Denmark.

This was the first time since the three sisters left their native land that they had been together. Following the reunion they again will be widely separated, for Mrs. Anderson will return to her home in Pennsylvania and Mrs. Hanson is arranging to leave for California.

Last year Mrs. Anderson received wide recognition as a Red Cross worker, who raised sheep, sheared the fleeces, spun the yarn and knit socks for soldiers.

Or Is It the Telephone?

Personal in London Times: "Dick Tinsdale-ling-ling. Len." Which, translated from alarm clock language into the vernacular, means: "Wake up, Dick, and get onto your job."—Boston Transcript.

Useless to Try.

These were the words in a lecture, which aroused untimely mirth at my expense: "The paths up this mountain are too steep for even a mule to climb; therefore I did not attempt the ascent myself."—Exchange.

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USE STRANGE CURES

Tobacco Quid Montenegri's Remedy for Wound.

Charm for the Lone Soldier When Red Cross Aids Suffering Mountaineers.

Niegos, Montenegro. — American physicians doing relief work in Montenegro tell of some curious methods of treatment employed by the inhabitants of this little mountain country. When a Montenegrin is wounded the first thought of the natives is to apply chewing tobacco, horsehair or a fresh rabbit skin with the hair facing inside. Common ink is considered a sovereign remedy for burns. To stop bleeding scars or wounds cobwebs are used. When a person is bitten by a dog, the favorite remedy is to pull off the animal's ear and rub the wound with it.

The patron saint of Montenegro is Saint Vasilisa, whose shrine is situated on the summit of a mountain between Podgoritz and Niksic. Every week thousands of devout Montenegrins come to this mountain shrine seeking cure for their ills.

But since the arrival of the American physicians the pilgrimages to the ancient shrine have not been so numerous. For the natives have found that their ills can be cured much nearer home and with greater certainty at any of the numerous Red Cross dispensaries and clinics. The inhabitants come from the remotest mountain regions. They are carried in all sorts of conveyances, wheelbarrows, donkey carts, buffalo wagons or on horseback.

In one case an old woman, suffering with scarlet fever, was brought to the Red Cross hospital at Niegos in an iron soup pot. It required four days to get her over the many mountain ranges.

In another instance a farmer carried his typhus-afflicted wife on his back a distance of 65 miles and at the end of the journey fell exhausted on the steps of the Red Cross hospital. He was rewarded for his labors, however, four weeks later by the complete recovery of his wife.

Victims of Smash Rode to Safety.

Coldwater, Mich.—Except for bruises neither John Ambrose nor his wife, was hurt after a ride on the cow-catcher of a passenger train, during which time the woman's head was only a few inches from the car wheels. The train hit their automobile, but the engineer did not know he had struck anything until the train stopped at a station, one block distant.

Tribute to the Press.

Millions have no literature but the press. It is parents, school, pupil, teacher, example, counselor, all in one. Let me make the newspapers and I care not who makes the religion or the laws.—Wendell Phillips.

WIVES IN GREAT DEMAND

War Veterans of the Orient and Africa Are Eager for Educated Mates.

Another world demand which the war has rendered greater than the available supply is for educated wives, according to reports from foreign missionaries filed at the New York headquarters of the Interchurch World Movement of North America.

The statement says the demand is especially great in the Orient and Africa, where war veterans of the allied armies have had a glimpse of occidental marriage relations and have found them desirable.

According to reports from one missionary, a young Moslem sheik offered to trade the four native wives allotted him by the Koran, if the missionary would bring him an educated American girl.

Farming by Machinery in Australia.

As yet agriculture in Australia has not reached American standards in many districts. The advance in wages, however, is showing the necessity of resorting more freely to machinery. It is stated that more than 150 motor tractors have been sold to farmers in the eastern part of the Riverina, a fertile district on the southern border of New South Wales. Apart from the aspect of labor, buyers declare that there is a real economy in the use of the tractors. A single machine will do the work of ten horses, and, moreover, will do it well when the ground is so hard that horse teams would be able to do little more than scratch it. Of late fodder has been very dear and this is another reason for favoring machine plowing. The tractors are also used for cutting chaff and wood, and for dragging grain to market.

WHERE SANTA WAS BORN

Russian Legend of Saint Klaus and How He Came to Be Known as the Children's Friend.

Very many years ago there lived in Russia a nobleman and his wife, who had a little son named Klaus. He was such a good boy that everyone used to call him Saint Klaus. In course of time his parents died and left him a large fortune, not the least part of which was three large bars of gold.

Saint Klaus one day happened to be passing a house, and overheard a father telling his daughters that he had lost all his money, and that he didn't even know how he was going to buy food for them. This worried Saint Klaus very much, and he wondered how he could help them. So that night he took one of the bars of gold and threw it through the window. The next night he threw the second bar, and crept quietly away, but on the third night when he was about to throw the third bar, the man who had lost all his money came out and caught him. He tried to thank Saint Klaus for his goodness to him and his daughters, but Saint Klaus told him to pay his thanks to God, whose servant he was.


And there, boys and girls, you have the story of Saint Klaus (or Santa Claus as we call him).

Curious Fact.

The people who are most accomplished do not always accomplish most.—Boston Transcript.

London's Wires.

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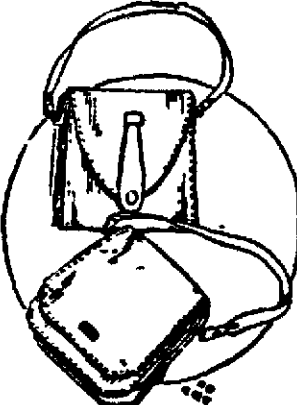
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OTSEGO COUNTY NEWS

DECEASED AT COOPERSTOWN.

At the Kinney is the wife of Squire Taylor of Milford.

Cooperstown, Dec. 18.—Miss Neita Kinney, daughter of Mr. S. L. Kinney, of Cooperstown, and Squire Alonzo Taylor, of Milford, was married yesterday at Milford at the Methodist Episcopal parsonage by Rev. N. B. Ripley. They were attended by Miss Jessie Stickles and Glenn Amblerlain, both of Maryland. Mr. Taylor will make their home at 31 Main street, Cooperstown.

Births.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard N. Michaels parents of a daughter born Tuesday evening at Thanksgiving hospital and Mrs. Earl Chubb of Middleburgh are parents of an eight pound boy born at the hospital Saturday.

Christmas Services at Milford

Milford, Dec. 18.—Sunday, December 21st, Christmas thought and music 10:30 a. m. In the evening at 7 o'clock, there will be special exercises of music by members of the Sunday school. Members of the church and congregation and parents of the children are cordially invited with all to attend these services.

CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES.

entertainment and Social to be given at Schenectady High School.

Schenectady, Dec. 18.—A Christmas entertainment will be given at the high school on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Parents and friends of the school are cordially invited. A Christmas social will be given by High school students on Friday evening.

Those Who Come and Go.

Mrs. Minnie Haines has been spending a week with friends in East Worcester. — I. S. Bulson is spending some time in Bellville, N. J. — Mrs. Ed Platt of Milford is a guest at the home of William Noonan. — Mrs. D. Wiley Chase spent Monday and Tuesday in Albany. — Mrs. Sarah Randall has removed to the home of Misses Stickney, where she will spend the winter.

WANTED FROM WESTFORD.

Westford, Dec. 18.—At the recent annual meeting of the Baptist Ladies' society, Mrs. H. L. Wright was elected president, Mrs. William Groff vice-president, and Mrs. William Ames treasurer. — Mrs. Metta

Any School Children Are Sickly

Mothers who value their own comfort and welfare of their children, should never without a box of Mother Gray's Sweeteners for Children, for use throughout the season. They break up colds, relieve constipation, soothe the throat, disperse headache and stomach troubles and by mothers for over 30 years. THESE SWEETENERS NEVER FAIL. All drug stores accept any substitute.

MAKE SOME SAD HEART GLAD

Christmas the Time for Remembering Those Not as Fortunate as You Are.

Christmas is a sad time in some households, among the older members who miss familiar faces always associated with family gatherings—a list of missing ones which increases as the years go by. But if it is impossible to be happy one's self, it is always possible to make some one else rejoice—this is an easier task than some people imagine. So many are so foolish as to think that because they cannot give beautifully that it is not worth while to give at all. They forget that what seems very little to a person in comfortable circumstances may appear very large to those who have virtually nothing at all; while among friends a small gift, bearing some sign of thoughtfulness, is often more acceptable than a costly but ill-chosen present. This is an excellent time to go over the children's toys and select those which can be spared to go to some less fortunate little ones. Do not select only those which are battered to be recognizable; such, of course, are not to be despised, but a little glue and a few stitches to fix on a broken doll or torn book add much to the pleasure of a second-hand gift—for all children love fresh-looking things and it is, besides, scarcely generous to give away only such articles as would otherwise be thrown in the ashes.

Dying Act Saves Passengers.

A dying motorman's last act was to apply the brakes to his car to prevent it from going over the precipitous incline on the Hudson palisades at Edgewater, N. J. Thrown from their seats by the sudden stopping of the car, the 30 passengers found the motorman, Alexander, lying dead from heart disease. The car was wedged on the edge of the precipice.

The place to buy your Christmas presents is at the Joyce stores, Unadilla, New York. Furniture, rugs, china, novelties. The stores are crowded full of bargains. advt eod t

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WITH THE TEACHERS

Good Attendance at Conference Held in This City Yesterday—Interesting Addresses by Prominent Educators.

The Teachers' conference of the city of Oneonta and the Fourth district of Otsego county was well attended at all sessions yesterday.

The morning session commenced at 10:15 with registration, after which there was a short devotional program. Dr. B. M. Johns officiating. Dr. Fleck, under whom the opera, "Il Trovatore," was presented at the High School Wednesday evening visited the morning session and by invitation spoke on the subject of music, particularly the march. He classified the different types of marches and illustrated each on the piano, giving a very thorough dissertation on the subject.

Dr. R. Brubacher then spoke on the subject of pensions, outlining the idea upon which teachers' pensions are based, and referring to the bill about to come before the state legislature.

The afternoon session commenced at 1:15 with a talk on Oral Hygiene by William H. Leak, before a general session of High school and elementary teachers. He then addressed the elementary teachers' Red Cross organization on behalf of dental dispensaries. He advocated the idea of sending out automobiles equipped with dental paraphernalia to the rural schools to further the care of the teeth among pupils.

Dr. Brubacher then addressed the High school teachers on the subject, "High School Objectives." He asserted that the principal aim of education is the training for citizenship. This aim will necessarily mean certain changes in the curricula of schools. These changes, Dr. Brubacher says, must eventually be recognized by the colleges. He explained the significance of the movement toward junior colleges and public colleges. Purely vocational education, without this training for citizenship, he believes to be unwise.

Dr. G. J. Dann made the closing address of the afternoon to the High school teachers on the subject, "Vitalizing the School." Dr. Dann presented in his talk the thought that the boys and girls are the chief aim of our educational endeavor. He spoke of the utter impossibility of a student's attaining to all knowledge. The purpose then is to develop the habitual interest of the pupil in his studies so that he may eventually find himself.

The session for elementary teachers closed with demonstration of intelligence tests by A. E. Fittelle, who made some very interesting demonstrations on a pupil chosen from the grades, illustrating and explaining each test in a comprehensive manner.

The evening session commenced at 7:30 with the operetta, "Santa Claus and Company," by the Academy street grade pupils. The pupils displayed excellent training and rendered the operetta very effectively.

Following the operetta, Dr. Thomas B. Lawler gave an interesting illustrated address on Japan, in which the geography, typography, population, industries, language and life of these most enterprising of all the peoples of the Orient were admirably depicted.

The conference was adjourned today both morning and afternoon. The program as printed in The Star of Wednesday will be followed.

Begin The New Year Right.

Thieves are active. Buy a shot gun or rent a private safe deposit box in the round door manganese steel vault at the Wilber National bank, where you have your own key, and in the strongest and best vault in the state. In a city the size of Oneonta, for your Liberty Bonds, jewelry, deeds, insurance papers, bonds and mortgages. Call and inspect their boxes. adv 14

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AMUSING THE ANGELS

DR. ECKMAN CREATES MUCH MERRIMENT PICTURING SOME OF MAN'S FOIBLES.

Clubs With an Elongated Appeal for Loyalty, Loyalty to Equality and Justice and Devotion to the Fundamental Principles of True Americanism.

"It is not the business of the government to support the people but it is the business of the people to support the government," a quotation from Grover Cleveland, former President of the United States was heartily endorsed as a sentiment worthy of our heartfelt approval at these non-bioscope days by Roy George P. Eckman of Scranton, Pa., in the close of his admirable address upon "Amusing the Angels" delivered before the Men's club of the First Methodist church last evening following an excellent dinner served to more than a hundred men and friends of the church. The feast was abundant and most appetizing and the feast of reason following equally abundant and most satisfying affording much food for thought.

Continuing, in his closing paragraphs an appeal for loyalty to the principles of justice and truth and of opportunity for all, the eloquent speaker defined "foibles" as a puny little in the line of the world's progress, which he said could be remedied, but to effect this the great mass of sober intelligence Americans must keep their heads and not rush pell-mell after some wild and vaporous but rather, clinging to the fundamental for which our forefathers suffered and died, we should eradicate the evils which have sprung up, and assist to posterity, America still the home of the free and the land of the brave.

Later in his address the speaker spoke of various individuals who must cause much amusement to the angels above, as they do to us here. He failed not to extol the mission of mirth.

He ridiculed the foibles and idiosyncrasies of many, not failing to include those of the pulpit. After giving the auditors many a good laugh at the expense of the pulpit, he took a few parting shots at the pews by telling what he would do were he in the pew, asserting it were only fair as the laity always feel at liberty to criticize the clergy. He said that the esprit de corps of the average church was nearly nil and that the obligation for enthusiasm, loyalty and devotion is very great and each should strive to make himself as useful to the church as his attainments permit him to be and to make the church the power in the community it should be. The one most useful is not the wealthiest, nor the one with the highest social position, but rather the one with the greatest devotion.

One of the speaker's observations which seemed to create as much merriment as any of the witty sallies was that to the effect that fools serve the very useful purpose of being a constant reminder of our common brotherhood. President Bolton presided and songs were abundant with Jerry Wilson as leader and Ernest W. Bolton at the piano.

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FOLLOWING ANNUAL INSPECTION COL. DALEY PRAISES ITS CONDITION.

Company Establishes Record of 100 Per Cent Attendance—Captain Jackson Surprises Men of Command with Dinner.

Lieut. Colonel J. J. Daley of divisional headquarters was in the city yesterday making the annual official inspection of Company G. He was accompanied by Major Donner, the battalion commander of Albany. Col. Daley during the day made an inspection of the armory and of the equipment and early last evening of the company at drill. The company established a record not only for the company but one not previously met with by Col. Daley at least this season, an attendance of 100 per cent, which was very gratifying to visiting and local officers alike.

Later, when interviewed by a Star representative, the inspecting officer stated that the conditions were very satisfactory in every way, referring especially to the armory and the equipment. He also commended Captain Jackson upon the appearance of the command upon the floor and the manner in which it was handled. The inspection is understood to be made by a representative of the federal military department to determine the fitness of the command to pass a federal test for federalization if it were required.

Following the inspection, the members of the command were invited to the banquet hall, where the men were the guests of Captain Jackson, the

dinner being a surprise for the company. Last year the men surprised him with the presentation of a substantial token of appreciation and this year the Captain took occasion to do a little surprising on his own part, with a very happy outcome. After a most appetizing and satisfying meal, Lieut. McLaury acted as master of ceremonies and called upon Major Donner, Major E. J. Parish, Captain Royal C. Johnson and Captain F. H. Marx, all of whom responded happily, after which Captain Jackson was announced and he addressed the men briefly but happily. Col. Daley was unable to remain for the social session much to his regret, being obliged to take the evening train for Albany.

Miss Jackson was assisted in the dinner arrangements by the wives of the associate officers. A pleasing feature of the dinner was the birthday cake with its usual features. The event was one calculated to strengthen the friendship ties between Captain Jackson and the men of the command.

Gifts For Women.

There are so many gifts that please a woman it is impossible to enumerate all of them. Just a few suggestions: Leather purses, perfumes, toilet sets in La France Ivory, Djer Kiss toilet sets, stationery, manicure sets, water bottles. No matter what else you send, include a box of Whitman's or Tiffin chocolates. Slade's Drug store. adv t-f 2t

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In the Evening at 7:30 a Christmas Cantata Will be Rendered by a Mixed Chorus

Holiday Suggestions

Our showing of Christmas Footwear is indeed a very attractive display! We've something just right for every foot in the family! What could make a more acceptable Christmas remembrance for the Older Members of the Family than a pair of our Comfort Shoes, a pair of Warm Slippers, or a pair of good Winter Rubbers or Arctics? What would please the Younger Members of the Family more than a pair of Stylish Shoes, a pair of Dancing Pumps or Dress Slippers, a pair of Leggings or Rubber Boots for the Boy or Girl? Remember Baby, too, with a pair of our cunning little Slippers, Booties or Moccasins.

WE'VE CHRISTMAS FOOTWEAR, GALORE!

You can't, if you try make more suitable or acceptable Christmas Gifts than Selections from our Good Footwear. Come, see our Holiday Display!

This year when Shoes are Shoes, a gift Choice Footwear will be more than appreciated!

Hurd Boot Shop

FLOYD E. TAYLOR
160 MAIN STREET

CHRISTMAS SALE

Pocket Books
Hand Bags
Collars, Etc.

Taffeta and
Jersey Petticoats
all colors

Silk Flounce
Petticoats \$2.69

Envelope Chemise, Special Priced
\$3.95, \$4.95, \$6.95

Make Mighty Welcome Gifts; Wash Satin or Crepe De Chine; and There Is Plenty of Pretty Lace About Them

Women's Warm Winter Coats Very Much Under Price

Special purchases at remarkable price concessions, from manufacturers desirous of closing out all remaining Winter stocks before commencing their spring lines. GREAT SAVINGS AT THESE PRICES: Special at \$14.75. Some with Fur Collars

SHIRTWAISTS

Manufacturer's close out of Crepe de Chine, Georgette and Voiles. All colors and all sizes, in plain tailored, fancy and slip over styles. Every waist a real value. Regular \$6.00 and \$7.00 Waist. Sale

Serge Dresses, \$11.75 to \$22.50.

Georgette Dresses \$23.95, Navy, Copenhagen and Tan

Special at \$27.50

Coats of good, heavy coating, in black, blue and brown, made with semi-fitted back and deep collar; body and sleeves lined.

Special at \$45.00

Coats of plain-colored and Silver-toned Velours. Several attractive models, all elegantly lined throughout and a few have fur collar.

Silk Blouses Are Gifts That Please

Of Crepe Georgette—A distinctive group of blouses the gift-seeker should see. In flesh-color, white and new tones from delicate bisque to the glowing flame-color of Vesuvius red. Dainty frilled models, lace-trimmed effects and styles handsomely embroidered and beaded: at

Velveteen Dresses, Black and Blue

Furs at less than one-half the original price

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